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Hatton Freeway Permit Put Back on Track



WINNER OF THE GOLDEN SHOVEL AWARD at the 32nd Annual Great Sandcastle Contest was a child cowering under his blanket from the monster beneath his bed. *See story and more pictures on page 16*

By Stan Hall

Reversing itself, the Army Corps of Engineers has agreed to continue processing an application for the Hatton Canyon Freeway to take congestion on Highway 1 around Carmel, a top Caltrans Official said Wednesday.

Greg Albright, project coordinator for Caltrans for the controversial 2.8 mile freeway at the mouth of the Valley and up Carmel Hill, declared: "The project is back on schedule."

He said Lt. Col. Leonard E. Cardosa, district engineer for the corps in San Francisco, agreed to resume work on the freeway application during an hour-long meeting Tuesday with Caltrans and Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) officials.

At the meeting, Caltrans, which already had agreed to file an amended application, reiterated its willingness to do that as part of the agreement, Albright said.

"There's still plenty of work to do," he said. "It's not a done deal. We've got to work out the right mitigation measures with the corps."

Asked why Cardosa reversed himself so quickly, Albright said that Caltrans felt that Cardosa's earlier decision was "based on some poor advice he had received from his staff based on what local people had told them."

Supervisor Karin Strasser Kauffman was more blunt. "I would think that the colonel would be embarrassed," she said. "The letter he sent out was full of misinformation. It seemed his staff had accepted it when those people are supposed to be as objective as possible in consideration of the issue.

"I think maybe someone tried to pull a fast one," she added.

In a letter to Caltrans on Sept. 17, Cardosa said he was halting consideration of Caltrans' application for the freeway because a new County Congestion Management Plan (CMP) showed that a level of service (LOS) rating of E was acceptable on Highway 1 past Carmel when it had been C.

Caltrans' rationale for wanting to build the freeway traditionally has been that it is the only improvement that will achieve a LOS C for at least 20 years, even with anticipated increases in traffic in the region. Federal highway funds will meet most of

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Board Relaxes Home Remodeling Rules

By Stan Hall

Despite some misgivings that they might be opening the door too wide, directors of the water management district gave final approval Monday to an ordinance liberalizing their rules for residential remodeling during the building moratorium.

Ordinance No. 64 was approved unanimously at a special meeting, called at the request of Supervisor Sam Karas. He had scheduled a discussion on the remodeling rules before the Board of Supervisors Tuesday and said he wanted something concrete to tell his colleagues.

The ordinance, passed as an emergency measure, became effective at 12:01 a.m. Tuesday. Directors were hopeful it would lay to rest a noisy dispute that broke out Aug. 1 when they changed the remodeling rules—mistakenly thinking they were helping out homeowners. But in reality, Ordinance No. 62 ended the practice by which remodeling was permitted if homeowners could offset any additional water use by retrofitting existing devices.

Under Ordinance 64, homeowners still will be able to use retrofit credits to win permission for remodeling that does not intensify water use, as long as the retrofitting was done after Jan. 1, 1991, the date the moratorium began. An estimated 200 projects, in process when the rules changed in August, will now be able to proceed under the retrofit provisions, and others will be able to use them as long as the moratorium continues.

Directors also kept a provision from Ordinance 62 which will allow homes that had been retrofitted before Jan. 1, 1991, to add up to 10 so-called fixture units if the jurisdiction in which the property is located will agree and debit its future allocation from new water for the increased use.

Director Dick Heuer expressed the gravest reservations about allowing remodelling by both methods and especially his colleagues' agreement that a homeowner could use both retrofit credits and the provision allowing for up to 10 new fixtures.

"We're verging on allowing new construction," he argued. He said "speculators," using both parts of the new rule, might be able to go into Carmel, tear down an old, small house and build a new, big one.

Director Fran Farina, who made the motion on which the new ordinance was approved, also expressed concern about what she called "double dipping." "We may be opening up another Pandora's box," she said.

She said the only safeguard that the rules

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Carmel Told of $500,000-a-Year Recycling Costs by State Mandate

By Isabelle Hall

Having just approved its first layoffs in history due to the economic downturn, the Carmel City Council Tuesday night took another shock when it got the estimated $500,000-a-year bill for complying with a state recycling mandate.

The council approved a resolution supporting the Integrated Waste Management Task Force which is seeking some relief for small cities under the law known as AB939 and an extension of the time for compliance.

Members acted shocked to learn that citizens in their beautiful one-mile-square city each generate 2.4 pounds per day of garbage, twice the state average and three times the national average.

Admitting that the figure was somewhat skewed by the tourists, Larry Johnson, coordinator of the Task Force, said. "You need to improve the understanding by citizens about source reduction."

Countywide the cost of recycling garbage to reduce the amount deposited in landfills is estimated at $150 million over the next 15 years. Carmel's cost is estimated at $6,403,047 or just under $500,000 a year.

The Task Force is asking for an extension of the 25 percent reduction goal to the year 2000 and the 50 percent goal to the year 2010. At present, the 25 percent goal is 1995 and 50 percent is the year 2000. The problem is complicated by the lack of technology to handle recycling.

"Shouldn't we ask the state legislature to mandate businesses to buy items made from recyclable materials?" asked Councilwoman Barbara Livingston.

"The technology just isn't there yet," Public Works Director Jim Cullem told the Council. As an example, he said the council earlier mandated that the city use plastic wood to save the forests "but the only place you can get it is in Los Angeles.

"Maybe we should leave yard waste in the ground," Cullem suggested. "Maybe we don't need expensive composting facility at Marina. The cost will fall heavily on the residents. Maybe there are some alternatives."

Told Carmel had the highest per person rate of garbage, Mayor Ken White quipped, "So, Carmel's No. 1 in something." The council chambers were only about half full for most of the three-hour session as White expedited the relatively light agenda.

"If there are no markets for the products we're recycling, it will end up in the landfill anyway, " commented Councilwoman Barbara Brooks. An analysis showed that Carmel's garbage consists of 22.11 percent paper, 25.41 percent yard waste, 13.06 percent food waste and 14.81 percent wood waste.

A chart of Carmel customer fees shows residents will have to pay an extra $7.50 a month and businesses $32.70 per month for recycling costs. Since recycling started, Cullem said the city was recycling

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LETTERS

Say What You Really Mean

Here are my views on the opposition to the Carmel River Dam (and a few on Hatton Canyon as well). I support a new dam, we need it. I am not pro development, we simply need more water reserve to sustain the current population.

It seems to me this situation smacks of the same type of opposition voiced about the Hatton Canyon Freeway. The oppositions vainly cite reasons, be they environmental or historical, in order to preserve their interests. They do this knowing the mere mention of "The Environment" or "Historical Sites" will raise the dander of those who otherwise would have remained uninterested. Why can't these people simply say what their real interests are? Something like, "I just don't want a freeway near my house" or "I don't want a larger reservoir, it may promote more development."

I do not mean to minimize the preservation of cultural, historical, or undeveloped places, they are important. I do believe, however, that when the issue is something as vital as water, a basic necessity for all of us living here, the consideration should be given to those of us who are here now over preserving the places of those who once were.

I could then go on and on about the Water Mis-Management District but that's another can of worms!

Kyle C. Dahle
Carmel Valley

Let Them Elect their Own People

It made me sad to read of the letter sent to three of our City Council members. It can't be easy to be in office, and I have always appreciated anyone who is willing to give up his or her personal life to work almost fulltime to make this a better community.

Brooks, Livingston and White are hard working members of the council. They regularly attend community events and are most available to listen. They also spend a great deal of time as members of various county committees for which they receive very little local acclaim. Barbara Brooks had been an active member of the County Transportation Agency and has been elected vice chair.,

These good people do not deserve to be attacked or threatened with "house cleaning." If the citizens for Good Government want to have their people in office, they should run them in the next election—not harass the people who have been elected by the voters of Carmel.

Stacey Finn-Baylis
Carmel

The Role of Hispanics

This is something more on the role of Hispanics in Monterey County government.

For one thing, the early Hispanic Supervisor J.B. Castro had as a brother no less a person than the famous General Manuel Castro. In addition to J.B. Castro, there was at least one other Hispanic Supervisor, J. Abrego, who served in 1857.

Finally, there were half a dozen legislators elected in the County of Monterey and sent to Sacramento: Estevan Castro, M.A. Castro, Juan Cot and Fred P. Felize. Two others had Hispanic mothers—Mariano Malarin (his father was an Italian coastal trader) and Santiago Duckworth (his father was an English sailor), E.C. Tully of South County's wife was an Hispanic from Texas; the wives of George Crane and F.A. McDougall were Hispanic.

The question is not whether or not Hispanics were ever represented in Monterey government, but rather, why did they not continue in the early tradition?

By the way, in the 1867's there was an English-Spanish newspaper published at Santa Rita (The New Republican).

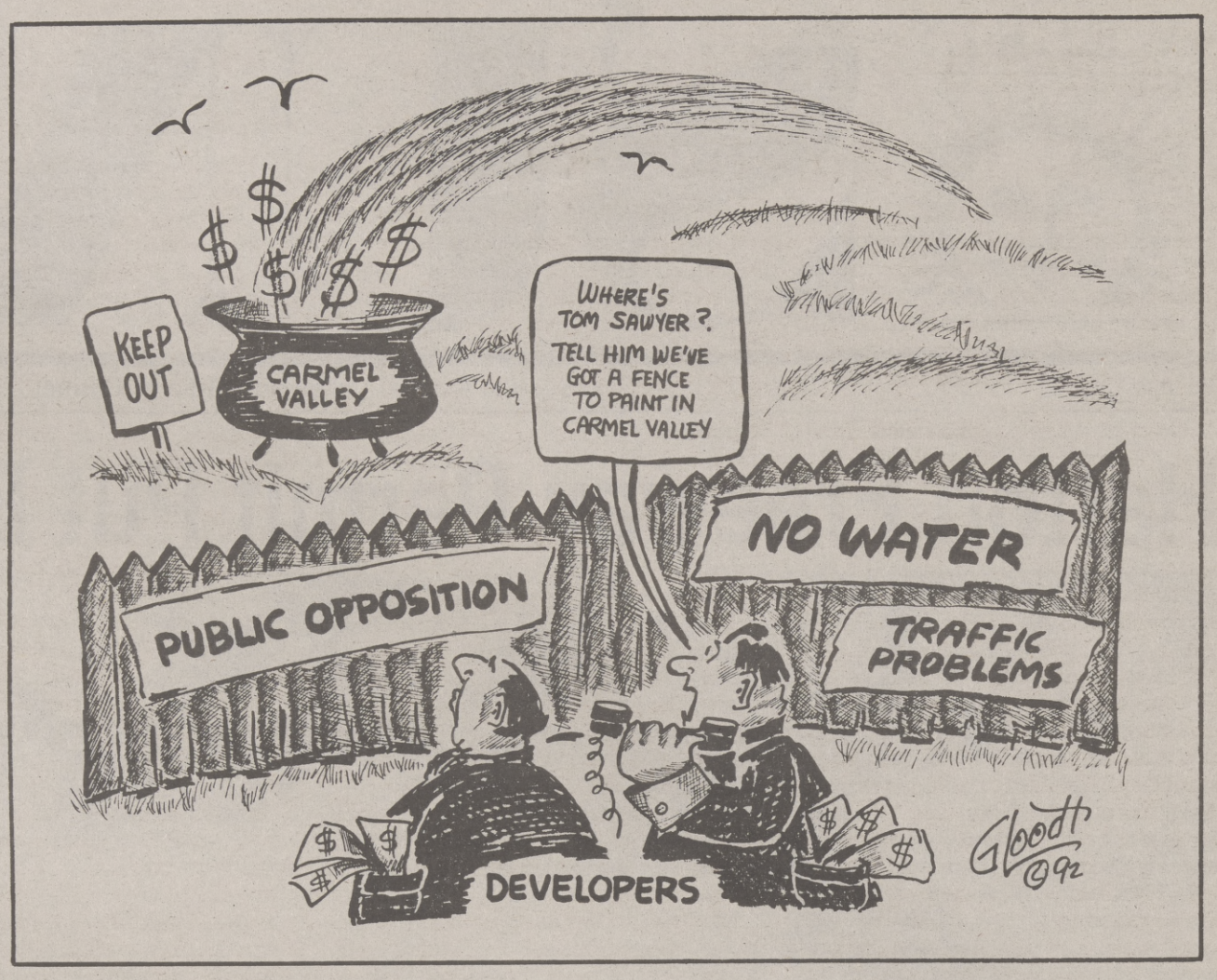
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A Council Seat Ahead for Carla?

Many thanks to Isabelle Hall for the in-depth interview with Carla Ramsey. Readers will gain a renewed appreciation of the dedicated chairwoman who served the Planning Commission and her city so faithfully.

Carla Ramsey was always scrupulously fair. The fact that at various times she came under fire from both residential and commercial interests attests to that. But beyond fairness, she brought a probing and intelligent mind to such knotty matters as zoning and other questions vital to the General Plan.

We can hope that she has not retired from all public service. A council seat may yet await down the road.

But unless it was just her relief at saying farewell to the turmoil of the Planning Commission, the photographs suggest that you have considerably exaggerated her age in the text.

Robert H. Evans
Carmel

Is It Really "Nickels and Dimes"?

Let it be known, spokesman for Carmel Citizens for Good Government (CCGG), Alan Williams, lost any credibility he might have had vis-a-vis our budget crisis when he stood before the Carmel City Council lecturing council members. He argued that the proposed $45,000 cut from the 92-93 budget for the Recreation Department was insignificant, not worthy of consideration. "Nickels and dimes," he called it.

This is the representative of the Voice of Carmel and the CCGGs who have been hectoring the council for months to cut programs, positions and classifications. As any student of Economics 1A would know, the first place to cut is in areas of least impact, whether it be in business, industry, home, or city government. But because the proposed cut came at the expense of the Recreation Department and threatened the future of the Recreation commission. Two members of the commission, Merv Sutton and Pat Sipple, also sit as president and members of CCGG and the Voice of Carmel. Because of these two people, Mr. Williams changed his tune and decided the council should keep the $45,000 in the 92-93 Recreation Department and look for cuts elsewhere.

Keep in mind, among other shocking things, this budget has no provision for a new police car. Indeed, two existing police cars have been sidelined because they are unsafe to drive. The health, welfare and safety of our city is at stake and these people are sabotaging the efforts of the City Council for the self-interest of their own members.

Charles Fox
Carmel

Tours Originator Finds Change Okay

On Sept. 27, the Carmel Recreation Department's "Slot Trek Tours" departed with a full bus of happy "Trekkers" for two fun-filled nights in Reno.

Having originated Slot Trek in 1976, I was not about to let this "first" tour leave without me.

Mike Gorczyca of the Recreation Department was the coordinator and tour host. He dispelled any reservations that I may have had regarding the giving of Slot Trek to the city Recreation Department.

Mike handled the tour beautifully. His concern for each passenger was evident and appreciated. I left the bus on our return knowing that Slot Trek Tours was being left in very capable hands.

Well done, Mike, and I am looking forward to many more tours.

Marian Fischer
Carmel

Where Was Alleged Esselen Before?

In response to the Oct. 1 article entitled "Esselen Indian Says Nason Doesn't Represent Him": We are surprised that the *Sun* would write and publish such an article without investigating further the background of Mr. Rosales, especially since the *Sun* has written several articles about the current members of the Esselen tribe and is aware that serious archaeological studies are being conducted on the site of the proposed dam by Gary Breschini, a noted expert on the Esselen Tribe.

The allegations and threats of Mr. Rosales hardly bear repeating and are completely contrary to the information from Mr. Breschini on the dress and habits of the Esselen Tribe. Where was Mr. Rosales when we held ceremonies, gatherings and meetings well advertised to any and all descendants of the Esselen Tribe? People from as far away as Reno, Los Angeles and Sacramento responded. But not Mr. Rosales who lives right here in Seaside.

If Mr. Rosales is an Esselen descendant, we are happy to know that there is one more member of our tribe. As a tribe, we are seeking formal federal recognition and need the support of all Esselens. We would welcome such support from Mr. Rosales.

Tom Little Bear Nason
Carmel Valley

Do We Need More Military Facilities?

The U.S. Navy is currently in the planning process for the construction of an observatory, which they wish to locate somewhere, in Monterey County. Their preferred location is at the summit of Chews Ridge, above Cachagua along the road to the Tassajara Zen Mountain Center. Their second choice would be at a spot along Big Sur's Coast Ridge, near Anderson Peak above Julia Pfeiffer Burns State Park. A third location, next to an existing military facility in Flagstaff, Ariz., is the Navy's least preferred site.

The two Monterey County sites are very close to the sensitive area of the Ventana Wilderness (the Chews Ridge site is 600 feet distant, the Big Sur site only 200 feet). Additionally, the Big Sur site will very likely have a visual impact from Highway I. Also, both proposed sites are in areas where rare plant species are known to occur.

When these points were made to representatives of the preparers of the Environmental Impact Statement at a meeting held recently in Carmel, some amazing facts came out. In debating whether or not the Big Sur site could be seen from the highway, Tom Soper (who helped prepare the document) dropped a bombshell. He stated that the site, as shown on maps in the report, was not in the mapped location.

He also stated that the biological survey was done when plants were in bloom, yet rare species weren't identified, and many plants which were identified were given incorrect names (such as a blue-flowered ceanothus, which had the name of a white-flowered species).

These and other discrepancies make the document inadequate indeed. In fact, the very premise that another military installation is needed locally is a false one. So it is important that residents of the area make their feelings known, in writing before the public input period for the draft EIS closes Oct. 13. Please address your comments to: Ms. Patricia Duff, Code 2031PD, Department of the Navy, Western Division Naval Facilities Engineering Command, 900 Commodore Drive, San Bruno, 94066-2402.

Jeff Norman
Big Sur

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Carmel's First Layoffs Voted to Balance Budget

By Isabelle Hall

For the first time in its 76-year-history, the City of Carmel had to balance its $7.3 million budget through layoffs and severance that froze 15 fulltime positions and six hourly employees. It also imposed $20,000 in new and increased fees for various city services.

Mayor Ken White issued a statement advising: "The citizens of Carmel-by-the-Sea should be pleased that their city still maintains substantial reserves of $2,028,613." The reserves would support Carmel for about 3-1/2 months at the rate of $7.3 million a year. They include an 11.5 percent reserve balance of $470,035 in the General Fund.

"Carmel-by-the-Sea is no different than many American cities currently facing difficult financial times," White said. "I am proud that this council did not shirk its responsibility in the face of adversity."

Still facing the city are the labor negotiations being conducted with four separate employee groups. Personnel Director Jerry Pullen said he hoped to close with the four negotiating groups within the next month or so. Last year negotiations concluded in September and November.

After the City Council voted 3-2 to save the Recreation Department, Assistant City Administrator Greg D'Ambrosio turned to most of the other city departments to find another $193,241 in savings. One of the hardest hit was the Library Department which laid off Linda Coppens, head of the Local History Department, two other fulltime librarians and six hourly employees. All laid off employees have preference on any city job openings for the next 24 months.

The Department of Planning and Building lost Code Compliance Coordinator Molly Erickson, one of four employees who took some $15,000 in severance pay two weeks ago. Others were a library assistant, building maintenance worker and tree care worker.

Assistant Planner Donna Brown and Building Inspector Ken Thurman were laid off at the Planning Department while Barbara Cogbill and Jackie MacPherson, who shared the clerk-stenographer position in the Administration Department, were both laid off. They also acted as receptionist to public visitors at City Hall.

The police department, which previously had the positions of senior sergeant and two desk officers frozen, also had a parking enforcement officer laid off.

Pullen, who was overseeing the Recreation Department, was assigned to fulltime personnel duties at City Hall. He said he could not provide the names of all those laid off or who took voluntary severance. Mike Gorczyca remains as manager of the Recreation Department.

D'Ambrosio also counted in seven months of wage savings for the position of city administrator which has remained vacant since Doug Schmitz resigned last March. The council will begin a search this month for a replacement since D'Ambrosio, the assistant administrator, does not want the job.

Revenues are predicted to total $6,943,233 in fiscal year 1992-93 budget with expenditures at $7,328,063.

D'Ambrosio wants the council to meet in March to work on balancing the second half of the city's biennial budget for 1993-95. His projection shows revenues of $7,496,040 compared with expenditures of $8,702,953, much of the increase being required as a result of deferred maintenance and capital purchases this year.

Most of the $578,304 shortfall between income and spending this year will be made up through a $439,000 overpayment due Carmel from (PERS), the state employees retirement fund. The money will be used to make up a $225,000 payment to the Workers' Compensation Fund, to make an $85,000 installment payment due for the Rio Park debt, and to make payments of $100,000 to the Health Insurance Fund and $29,000 to the General Fund.

The PERS funds have not yet been received but are expected by the end of October. The deadline for the state to appeal the payment to its cities to the U.S. Supreme Court has not yet passed, Financial Services Coordinator Sandi Davneport said.

D'Ambrosio calls the budget "barebones." It contains no money for grants to local non-profit organizations or for any capital improvements. It also eliminates funds for the Carmel Special Taxi Service subsidy for the elderly or handicapped.

During the final council hearing on the budget Oct. 1, Councilwoman Barbara Livingston opposed the idea of opening the discussions to the public. "These people have been served notice they're going," she said. "Does it serve any purpose to open it to the public? I think we should just go ahead and approve the cuts."

"I agree we're dealing with people's feelings here," said Councilwoman Barbara Brooks. The two had opposed retaining the Recreation Department.

"The public has a right to say something," Councilman Bob Fischer said, looking at the crowded chamber. "I'm always open to the public," agreed Councilman Phil Coniglio. "Even your mother," quipped Mayor Ken White teasing him about saying his mother influenced him to vote for the Recreation Department.

Once the hearing was open, Planning Commission Chairman Jack Kennedy urged the council to give the laid-off employees "first crack at coming back if the situation turns around."

Resident Sharon Lawrence, said she had received calls from several people complaining about the local history department being hit by layoffs. She said there were "hundreds of thousands of dollars of treasures in there," including Edward Weston photographs. She asked what guarantee there was that the library's historic treasures would be guarded. "Why don't they just reduce salaries?" she asked.

"There is some expertise in local history that remains," D'Ambrosio said, explaining that Librarian Margaret Pelikan would be determining the priorities for the local history department.

Alan Williams, a spokesman for Carmel Citizens for Good Government (CCGG), complained about the process of approving the budget. "The public has no idea how you got to these cuts," he said. "We don't know what services we're losing."

When White cut him off after the three minutes allowed each member of the public, Williams, said, "All of these departments are now going to have to redefine what they can and can't do. It should be part of the public process."

Don Kremer, an unsuccessful candidate for council April 14, congratulated D'Ambrosio and Davenport. He said, "The council should not forget to focus on revenue enhancement." He suggested market research by the Carmel Business Association (CBA) "to get the right kind of people visiting the right kind of stores."

Native Plant Society Holds Sale Sunday

The Monterey Bay Chapter of the California Native Plant Society will hold its annual plant sale Sunday at the northeast corner of the Costco parking area in Sand city.

The popular sale of hard-to-find native shrubs and hardy perennials is normally held at Carmel High School but because of a scheduling conflict was moved to the new location. The sale will be held from noon to 3 p.m.

A few types of native trees, many varieties of wildflower seeds, posters, books on horticulture and botany and free expert advice will be available. Some of the proceeds go to support the Rowntree Arboretum in Carmel.

Livingston Upset At Eastwood Gift

Councilwoman Barbara Livingston said she took "great exception" to former Mayor Clint Eastwood offering to pay for a financial review of the city.

Eastwood told Mayor Ken White several weeks ago that he would pay for the services of any of the three financial companies he uses, or any company of the city's choice, to do a financial review to help during the current budget crisis. He made the offer during a meeting between White and Carmel Citizens for Good Government (CCGG) of which he is a member.

Phyllis Howard, another member who was present, said she estimated the value of the gift at "somewhere between $100,000 and $200,000."

"He offered to have one of his companies come and help, or the city could select any company they wanted," Howard said. "There isn't a state, county, city or school district that wouldn't give their right arm for such an opportunity for financial review."

"I hope we can pursue Mr. Eastwood's offer," said Councilman Bob Fischer at the conclusion of the Oct. 1 council meeting approving a budget.

But Livingston objected: "This City Council is fully prepared to handle the budget. This council is doing what the people of Carmel elected us to do. It is within our sphere. I take great exception to Mr. Eastwood saying he will give us his three financial advisers. Our staff deserves better than that."

The councilwoman said she was irked at a statement Eastwood made during a recent *Sun* interview when he said, "It doesn't take Werner Von Braun rocket science to figure out the budget."

Councilwoman Barbara Brooks and Mayor Ken White both joined in defense of Acting City Administrator Greg D'Ambrosio and Financial Services Coordinator Sandi Davenport for preparing the budget.

"It's been the most difficult budget ever to make us fiscally responsible," Brooks said.

"I hope people will remember Greg D'Ambrosio and his staff," White said.

A week ago White said the current council was having to make up for six years of spending by previous councils.

"Some of us were part of that," he said. White is in his fifth year on the council, Brooks is in her third year and Fischer is in his sixth year.

Howard told the *Sun* she would urge the council to "forget your differences and jealousies. We can use all the help we can get. Don't be an ostrich."

Absentee Ballots Available

Absentee ballots for the Presidential General Election on Nov. 3 must be requested in writing prior to Oct. 27. Voted ballots must be received no later than the close of polls on election day.

Requests for absentee ballots should be sent to the Election Department, P.O. Box 1848, Salinas, Ca. 93902. An application is printed on the back of the sample ballot or voters may send a letter of request.



MASTER SHOWMANSHIP awards for sheep were brought home from the Santa Cruz County Fair by both Will Edwards of the Carmel High FFA and the Los Padres 4-H Club and Kelly Paquin of the Boronda 4-H. Edwards also showed the grand champion lambs at the Santa Cruz and Monterey County Fairs. Other Los Padres members bringing home ribbons recently were Ross Dalby, Katrina Mitchell and Gabrielle James. This is National 4-H Week. Anyone wishing to join the Los Padres Club should telephone 659-2667 or 659-4449.

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SHERIFF'S LOG

CARMEL RANCHO. A security company reported finding the window open at a dentist's office, but nothing suspicious was found. 9/29.

CARMEL HIGHLANDS. A man who lives on Highway 1 reported a neighbor was parking illegally on an easement to his property. 9/29.

CARMEL RANCHO. An employee of Succulent Gardens at the Barnyard reported the theft of a blue flower pot and a flat of succulents. 9/29.

Golf Clubs Missing

VALLEY. A man reported from Rancho Canada Golf Course that someone had taken a set of clubs from a cart in the cart barn. 9/29.

CARMEL. A man who lives on Pescadero reported someone stole a 25-horsepower outboard motor from a boat in his driveway. 9/29.

RIO ROAD. The night manager at Mission Inn reported burglaries in two rooms in which money and foreign currency were taken. With no sign of forced entry, a deputy said a master key probably was used to get into the rooms. 9/29.

CARMEL. A man who lives on Cabrillo reported cash and travelers checks totaling some $1,200 were taken from his home between 9/19 And 9/26. 9/30.

$350 in Liquor Lifted

VALLEY. Los Laureles Lodge reported some $350 worth of liquor had been stolen from the bar. Deputies said they had no suspects. 10/1.

RIO ROAD. The manager of Long's Drugs Store in the Crossroads reported a woman called him and warned that if one of his employees did not pay her drug bill, someone would shoot up his store. 10/1.

CARMEL. Carmel High School officials reported a fight between two students. 10/1.

CARMEL. A man reported the theft of money from his home on Torres and the receipt of annoying telephone calls. 10/1.

"Mailbox Gang" Caught

VALLEY. A woman who lives on Carmel Knolls reported seeing someone smash her mail box and provided information that led to three young men, including an 18-year-old from Pacific Grove. A Deputy said the three admitted damaging about 80 mailboxes in the Carmel Knolls, Canada Drive, Canada Court, Brookdale and Scarlett Road areas. They were released to their parents, but officers said a warrant would be requested from the district attorney's office. 10/1.

CARMEL. A Carmel Woods man said he paid $25 for a cord of wood but never got it. Because the transaction took place within the City of Carmel, the case was turned over to Carmel police. 10/2.

CARMEL. Authorities at Carmel High School said two students got into a fight, but neither wished to prosecute. 10/2.

Juveniles Disrupt School

VALLEY. Three juveniles from Seaside, aged 12, 15 and 16, were cited for disrupting activities at Carmel Middle School. One of the youths threatened a teacher with a stick. 10/2.

VILLAGE. A Los Gatos man, seen driving erratically at Carmel Valley Road and Via Contenta, was stopped and turned over to the CHP for DUI. 10/2.

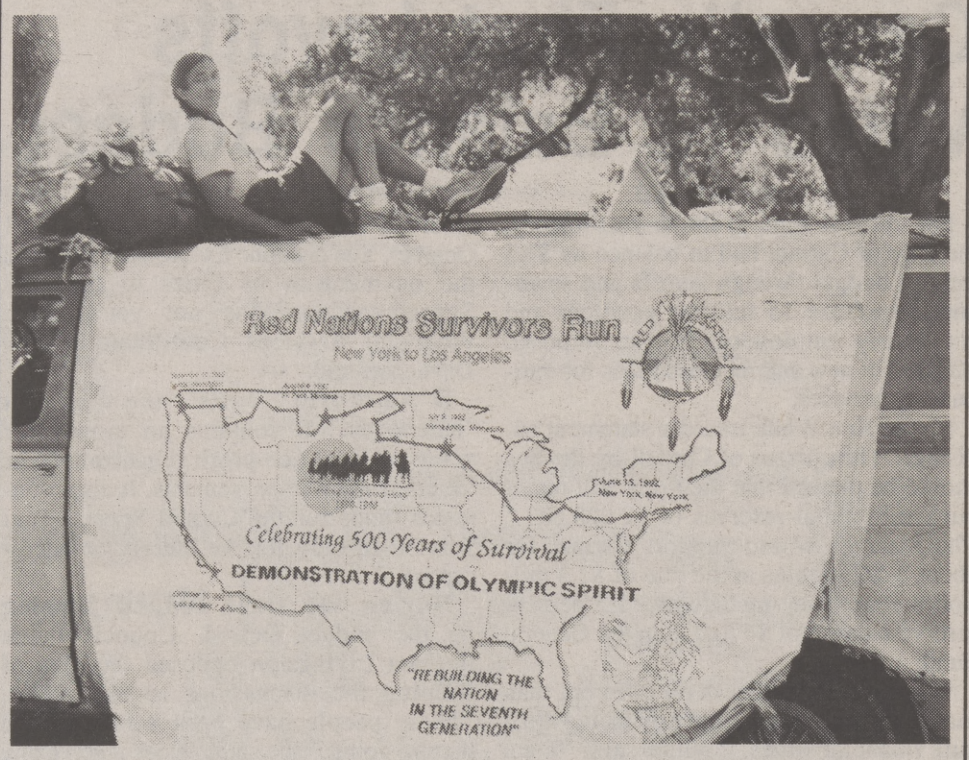
CARMEL. A woman who lives on Ocean Avenue reported her tenant was making noise; deputies said he was yelling obscenities at her after coming home and finding an eviction notice taped to his door. 10/2.

VILLAGE. A Carmel Valley man reported a woman left her baby boy with him about 8 p.m. to keep while she worked until midnight, but that she did not return and he couldn't find her at the phone numbers she had left. At 8 a.m., he called Social Services to take care of the baby, who was left without food, diapers or clothing, he said. 10/2.

SOUTH COAST. A Salinas man was reported swept out to sea while fishing with two friends from rocks near Rocky Point Restaurant. 10/4.

Lion Seen at Mid Valley

Skip Harrison, a resident of Rancho Tierra Grande in mid Valley, saw a mountain lion walking across Tierra Grande above Rancho Alto about 11 p.m. Saturday. His wife didn't see it, so he turned his car and came back for another look. It was still there and appeared not be be frightened by the headlights, he said.



A GROUP OF INDIANS, making what they called the Red Nations Survivors Run from New York to Los Angeles made an unscheduled stop in Carmel Valley Village Monday when the brakes failed on one of their vans. Coinciding with the 500th anniversary of Columbus' discovery of America, the run was scheduled to culminate this weekend with a Pow Wow at Chaffey College in Cucamonga in Southern California. Above, one of the Indians rests atop the van while his colleagues worked on the brakes. *Sun photo by Stan Hall*

Laureles Plan Gets Double Whammy

"Even under real good conditions, that would be a difficult project."

With that understatement, County Zoning Administrator Dale Ellis described the uphill fight facing a Capitola developer who wants to create a 53-lot subdivision on McDonald Ranch atop Los Laureles Grade.

In back-to-back setbacks, the Planning Commission last week first voted to put his 270-acre property under new B-8 zoning which prohibits any intensified land use until the area's water problems are solved. A couple of hours later, commissioners dropped the other shoe, decreeing that only one house could be built on each 90 acres in the parcel.

Developer John Bakalian had based his plans for 53 lots on the property on a 5-plus acre density. Ellis said that had been the staff's recommendation, but the Planning Commission decided instead that it wanted to impose the spacing that a 1979 environmental impact report by Madrone & Associates proposed.

The commission's decisions are only recommendations and must be ratified by the Board of Supervisors, Ellis said, adding he expected the board to hear them in November. He said he expected the board might take up the B-8 zoning before dealing with the density question.

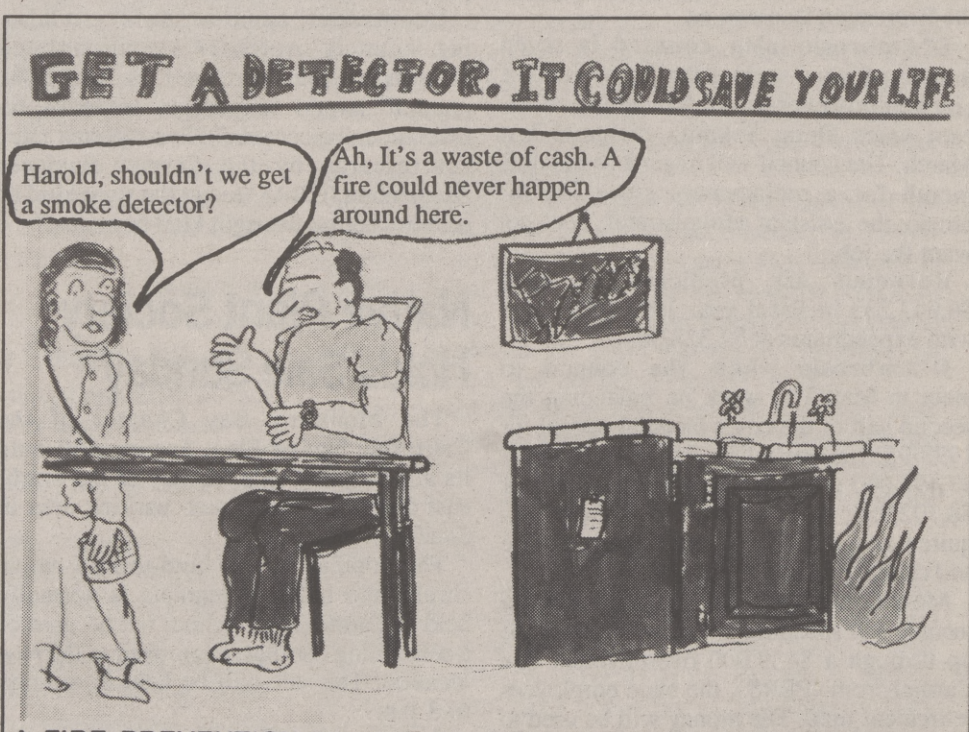
"If it decides that B-8 is right, the whole density problem becomes moot until the water issue is solved, and it is going to be expensive," Ellis added. Even without the reduced density and the B-8 zoning, Ellis said Bakalian's proposal still would face heavy sledding. "There are a lot of other issues, too—the steepness of the slopes, the visibility of houses, traffic congestion. Water and density are just two of them."

On a 4-2 vote, the Planning Commission decided to impose B-8 zoning in the Calera Canyon, Corral de Tierra and El Toro Creek areas. The zoning prohibits any intensification of land use, Ellis said, including subdivisions, caretaker and senior citizen units. Existing lots of record can be built.

Bakalian had proposed building a one-mile pipeline to bring water for his proposed project from Toro Water Service through Calera Canyon. Ellis said he understood that Calera Canyon "is in an overdraft situation. Some other sub-basins in the area may not be, but it's going to take an area-wide solution to solve it."

Bakalian's proposal calls for 50 single-family lots and three for an 18-unit condominium project providing low and moderate income housing.

Neighbors, including a group known as the Highway 68 Coalition, actively opposed the subdivision plan when the county required Bakalian to install $30,000 worth of poles and flagging to show where proposed homes would be located.



A FIRE PREVENTION Week poster created by Gabe Rosen a 5th grade student at All Saint's, emphasizes the theme of this year's fire prevention week, which is being conducted by all local fire departments. Rosen's poster, prepared for a contest sponsored by Mid Valley Fire Department, shows a fire starting while the man of the house says he doesn't need a smoke detector.



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Quick Money for Rosie's Speedy Replacement Nixed

By Stan Hall

Supervisors balked Tuesday at setting aside money from the county's contingency fund to help get construction started next year on the replacement of Rosie's Bridge. But they agreed they might be willing to help speed up construction later—depending on conditions.

The board voted unanimously on a motion by Chairwoman Karin Strasser Kauffman to take a generally middle position between two conflicting recommendations presented by the staff.

One of them, offered by Director Gerald Gromko of the Public Works Department, urged the board to transfer $470,000 from the contingency fund to pay for work needed to begin construction next summer. Under Gromko's latest work plan and funding provided by the supervisors, the bridge on Esquiline Road across the Carmel River would not be replaced until the summer of 1994.

A competing recommendation from the county administrative officer, Ernest Morashita, urged the board not to transfer the money from the $2 million contingency account, arguing there were too many uncertainties—about both the county's financial position and Public Works' ability to be ready for summer construction.

The bulk of the $2.1 million cost for a modern replacement for Rosie's will come from a federal bridge replacement fund. Gromko argued that the $470,000 he needed in this fiscal year to be ready to start construction by next year rather than a year later would be repaid from those federal funds and his department's fiscal 93-94 budget.

It seemed clear from the start that Gromko, in trying to speed up the replacement of Rosie's, was acting on Strasser Kauffman's behalf. She has taken political heat in the Village following three accidents in which children on bicycles were hurt when they fell on the slippery, steel-grid floor of the narrow bridge.

As the result of one of the accidents, the mother of one of the children presented Strasser Kauffman with petitions bearing more than 1,000 names urging prompt action on replacing the bridge. She presented them at a lively town hall meeting at Tularcitos School Sept. 3 where sentiment clearly seemed to favor replacing Rosie's.

It was equally apparent from the start of the board hearing Tuesday that the other supervisors, also having high-priority, politically-sensitive projects in their district going unfunded in a time of budget austerity, were not going to go along with providing more money for Rosie's replacement now.

Supervisor Sam Karas pointedly asked Gromko why he had become so concerned about the safety of Rosie's, even since late summer budget hearings which set Public Works' $12 million fiscal 92-93 budget and allocated just $100,000 for advance work for Rosie's replacement.

Gromko cited two of the bike accidents, saying they "dramatized the sad state the bridge is in." He also said it posed a potential liability threat to the county and "cannot take legal highway load."

"Has there ever been any need for such a vehicle to cross it?" Karas asked.

Gromko said he didn't know, but did cite a fire in Hitchcock Canyon, which is reached by Esquiline Road.

Saying "We have public safety issues in lots of areas," Supervisor Barbara Shipnuck said she would not support transferring 25 percent of the contingency fund to Rosie's Bridge work "at this time of year—not for this project, not for any project." She also cited the continued uncertainty about the impact on the county's finances of the state budget settlement.

She suggested Gromko's department proceed with work needed to prepare for construction and to see if it was on schedule by February of next year when it could advertise for bids. If it were, she suggested that she might be willing to then approve transfer of contingency funds to go forward with construction, depending on how much money remained in the fund.

In the end, that was the position the board took, although Strasser Kauffman and Karas got cross-wise when he started his motion by saying the money should not

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Remodel Rules Relaxed by Board

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wouldn't be abused would be the caution of the seven cities and the county that their future allocations not be debited too heavily for remodeling.

Under the rules, credits can be gained only for retrofitting interior fixtures—installing low-flow toilets, so-called instant hot water systems, or new, water-savings dishwashers or washing machines.

Heuer suggested that outside retrofitting ought to be allowed, too, arguing that "taking out turf," or installing drip irrigation to replace overhead sprinkler systems would save more water.

General Manager Jim Cofer said no provision ever had been allowed for removing lawn because it always could easily be put back in.

"Drip irrigation systems are not going to be replaced," Heuer said, but the issue was not resolved.

Directors expressed concern about homeowners who had paid connection charges under the rules effective Aug. 1 who would not now have to pay them because they could use retrofit credits. Told by the staff that the district had collected some $4,700 in such fees, the board informally agreed that they should be returned.

In deciding to allow up to 10 new fixtures, directors said they wanted to permit two simple bathrooms or a single, large master bath to existing homes.

Representatives of the cities of Carmel and Monterey and the county, as well as area Realtors, testified they generally supported the new ordinance.

Brian Roseth, a planner from Carmel, noted that the district had a goal of 15 percent savings which depended in part on retrofitting. He suggested that the district undertake a long-term study to assess the extent of savings that still would be achieved under the liberalized rules.

Pointing to widespread governmental budget cuts, including those in Carmel, director Ken Long suggested that the study would not be worth the money or staff time it would take to conduct it.

Supervisor Karin Strasser Kauffman said she would like assurances that the ordinance wouldn't result in any changes in any of the jurisdictions' future allocations. Assured by members that the allocation calculations would not be affected, she said, "Good. That would be a bureaucratic nightmare" trying to calculate how much less savings, if any, had occurred because of the liberalized rules.

The moratorium will remain in effect until some new source of water becomes available to augment the supply, the board has agreed. Once the most promising new source, the Paralta well in Seaside has been held up while an environmental impact report (EIR) is prepared on the transportation and storage of chemicals needed to treat the hydrogen sulfide smell in it.

Directors tied the end of the building moratorium not to the end of the drought, but to the development of new supplies of water, arguing that without new supplies, the district's system is overcommitted.

When the moratorium was imposed at the start of 1991, some directors had expressed hope that the Paralta well could be in operation as early as April of that year.

Nobody held out any real hope at Monday's meeting that either the Paralta well or any other new source will be available any time soon to end the moratorium.



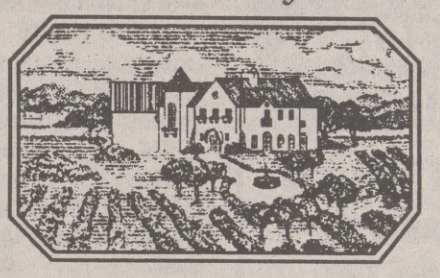
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Ten Bat Species Found At Rancho San Carlos

By Carolyn Rice

"People who live here will probably have bats moving in," said Dixie Pierson, a zoologist who has studied the bats which live at Rancho San Carlos. But not to fear, she said. "All of them are amazingly gentle animals."

While some species around the world have been threatened by development which has diminished their natural habitat, other species have adapted to man, living in attics, barns and under roof tiles, most hanging upside down while resting during the day.

People's fears about bats are basically unfounded, Pierson said, based mainly on rabies or myths surrounding the fast-flying creatures which come out at dusk. "One in 1,000 may have rabies," she said. "But they don't go around and attack."

After all the research she's done on the animals, she said she never once has had one become tangled in her hair. They may fly near to a person while catching insects, she said. But their finely tuned navigation system keeps them from flying into a person.

The only mammal which flies, bats benefit man by eating large numbers of destructive insects, she said. "A bat can eat 500 mosquitoes an hour," Pierson said.

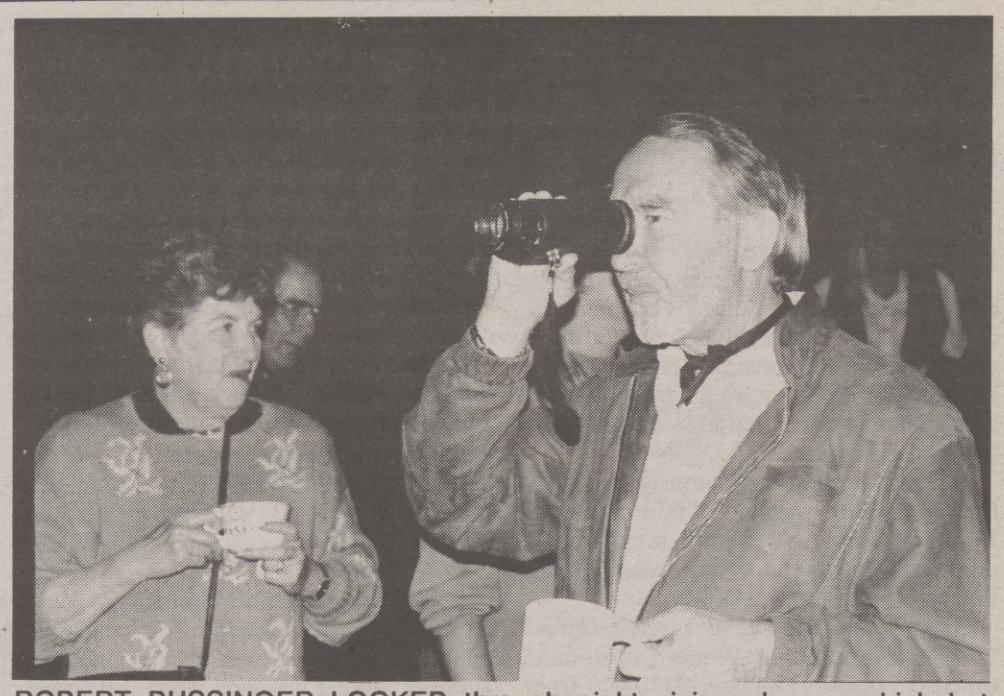
Ten species of the nocturnal animals live on the 20,000 acre Rancho San Carlos located in the hills on the south side of Carmel Valley. Plans are underway for a golf course, a hotel and a number of single family homes on the ranch which was purchased in February of 1990 by Pacific Union Co. of San Francisco for $70 million.

During the summer of 1991, Pierson studied the bats and what she learned will be included in the Rancho San Carlos environmental impact report (EIR) due out in a couple of months.

A University of California Ph.D. in zoology, Pierson has traveled to the Caribbean, Central and South America in pursuit of knowledge about bats.

"If you want to see bats," she advised her audience, "go look under old bridges." A tell-tale sign of bats is a white, guano stain on the side of structure," she said.

She recently gave a presentation on what her research found at the ranch. Sponsored by the Rancho San Carlos Foundation, her presentation raised money for the bat education programs at the Pacific Grove Museum of Natural History. Some of the 80 or so in attendance saw bats flying over the patio as they ate their California cuisine dinner prepared by Chef Wendie Brody which included barbecued quail and rattlesnake salad.



ROBERT BUSSINGER LOOKED through night vision glasses which bat researchers use to spot bats during nighttime hours.

Pierson, who is from the Bay area, said she "realized it was possible to do some exciting work right in my own backyard" when she launched into the Rancho San Carlos research.

Working with a bat detector which amplifies the bats' chirping sounds which are in the ultrasound range and night vision equipment, she located the furry creatures as they hunted at night. She found they inhabit hollowed-out redwood trees on the ranch, lived in the barns and even under the tiles and eves on the the main hacienda.



STRETCHING A BAT'S WING while holding the bat in her hand, Dixie Pierson showed Rancho San Carlos Foundation guests what a bat's wing looks like.

Sun photos by Carolyn Rice

Nine hundred species of bats live in the world with 40 different species in the U.S and 23 in California. Sixteen species live in Monterey County, Pierson said, and 10 are found on Rancho San Carlos. The 10 species at Rancho San Carlos are the Mexican free-tailed bat, pallid bat, big brown bat, silver-haired bat, hoary bat, California myotis, small-footed myotis, fringed myotis, long-legged myotis and Yuma myotis.

"The silver-haired bat was not expected to be found here," Pierson said. "Virtually nothing is known about that bat."

Bats vary greatly in size. The largest, called flying foxes, have five-foot wing spans and bodies about the size of a pigeon. They are found in Africa and Asia. The hoary bat has a 16-inch wing span and the free-tailed and red bats have 12 inch wing spans. The smaller bats range in weight from one-twentieth of an ounce to two-thirds an ounce.

Bats have been around for 55 million years, Pierson said, and can live up to 35 years with an average life span of seven or eight.

"It's not unusual to find 15 to 20-year-old bats," she said.

The myth about bats being blind started in the 1930s after a research project in which bats flew around a dark room, catching insects without bumping into walls, Pierson said. Researchers wrongly concluded they were blind. However, they subsequently learned bats use an echo system to navigate, Pierson said.

They make a series of short, high-frequency sounds continually while flying. Too high to be heard by the unaided human ear, the sounds bounce off objects, and from the echoes, bats know where objects or insects are located. Many of the bat's features which people consider grotesque are used for this process of navigating called echolocation, Pierson said.

Pierson told her audience they had a bigger risk of dying of food poisoning at a church picnic or from the hand of their spouse than from a rabid bat. One California woman did die from rabies contracted from a bat, but she picked a sick animal up on a trail and was bitten, Pierson said. She cautioned that wild animals should never be handled without wearing a glove.

Bats can hover like hummingbirds, and 300 plant species are dependent on bats for pollination, she said. "They're essentially the hummingbirds of the night."

They can fly for many miles to feed and live in colonies, Pierson said. In one hollow redwood tree on the ranch grounds, she found a colony of 500 to 1,000 animals. In New Mexico, bat colonies totaling 30 million have been located, she said.

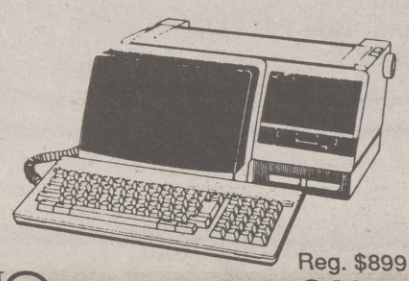
Pierson said bat studies have benefitted during the past several years by the development of a radio transmitter small enough to attach to a bat. They are about the size of a hearing aid battery, she said, and glued on. A battery will stay in place for a couple of weeks before it drops off, she said.

Bats are nocturnal, going out at dusk to hunt. If an animal is out during the day it's because it's sick or a teenager, Pierson said. A sick animal may be searching for water, and a teenager may be out because it didn't find its way home before daytime or didn't get enough to eat the night before.

"It aberrant behavior," she said.

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Citizens Seek Speedy Approval Of CSA 43 and 39 Merger Plan

Citizens taking steps to form a new fire district merging County Service Areas (CSAs) 39 and 43 said they hope to take their plan before the Board of Supervisors by mid-November.

Jack Hanford, a Del Mesa Carmel resident who is chairman of the steering committee, said CSA 43 is in good financial shape because of a strong tax base at the mouth of the Valley with the shopping centers and expensive single family homes.

At a meeting at Carmel Middle School Sept. 30, Hanford said under questioning that any increases in rates charged by the California Department of Forestry (CDF) in the future would affect every part of the state.

"If the rest of California could afford it, we sure could," he said.

CSA 43 wraps around Carmel and stretches out to Rancho San Carlos Road and includes the new Quail Meadows development. About half of CSA 39 runs along the Monterey-Salinas Highway to Ohlmsted Road near the airport and the other half of it covers the Aguajito neighborhood. CSA 39 also has two distinct segments with the City of Monterey curving in between the two parts.

The meeting was one of three that have been held to inform the 8,000 residents of the two areas of the proposed consolidation.

Voters defeated a consolidation plan which would have joined Mid Carmel Valley Fire Protection District with the two CSAs in a June, 1991, election. Hanford said that plan was rejected by a 3-1 margin, partly because of the fear that the CSAs would lose their contract with CDF for service if it were approved.

CDF is responsible for all the state wildlands area on the peninsula. "The wildland protection will be there no matter what," Rod Musgrove, CDF division chief told the audience. The two CSAs also have contracted with CDF for fire protection within their boundaries for a number of years.

One problem for the new district if it comes into being is the Hill fire station on Highway 68. Community Hospital has told CDF it does not want to renew the lease for the land on which the station is located when it terminates in 1995. But Musgrove said CDF is talking with a willing seller for a new site, and it's possible the hospital might be willing to extend the lease for a short period. Whatever happens, he said, CDF will continue to maintain a presence on the peninsula to furnish wildlands protection.

Hanford said the steering committee has budgeted $250,000 for a bay in a new CDF station which would be paid for with fire district funds.

Paul Ellis, a Carmel Highlands resident who is a retired Los Angeles firefighter, said he is in agreement with formation of the new district, but he questioned spending $250,000 on a building in conjunction with CDF.

The state has severe budget problems, he said. In future years CDF could raise its contract charges to help balance the state budgets, Ellis said. "If we had to get out of the CDF contract for any reason where would we put our fire truck?" he asked. It was then that Hanford suggested that if any area of the state could afford higher CDF charges, the new district he is championing could also.

Chief Lanny White of the Carmel Highlands Volunteer Fire Department said his fire district's board of directors has not considered joining into the consolidation plan. "We have no plan at present to join up with the CSA 39 and 43 consolidation effort," he said.

Hanford said the county's Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) had told CSA 43 it should include CSA 39 in its fire district formation because CSA 39 is not as financially sound. He also said that he hoped to take the plan before the supervisors for the first time by mid-November.

Director Jim Cook of LAFCO said if the Board of Supervisors approves the resolution to form a fire district, and it moves through LAFCO and back through the Board of Supervisors as specified by the process, it could be finished in about four months.

Cook said he has not analysed the figures yet. While CSA39 does not have as much revenue as CSA 43, it doesn't have as much service responsibility either, he said. CSA 39 is not the stepchild of CSA 43, he added.

On June 30, 1991, CSA 43 and 39 had a combined fund balance of $965,000 and the preliminary 1991-92 budget shows a combined fund balance to be approximately $1,216,000, according to facts gathered by the formation committee.



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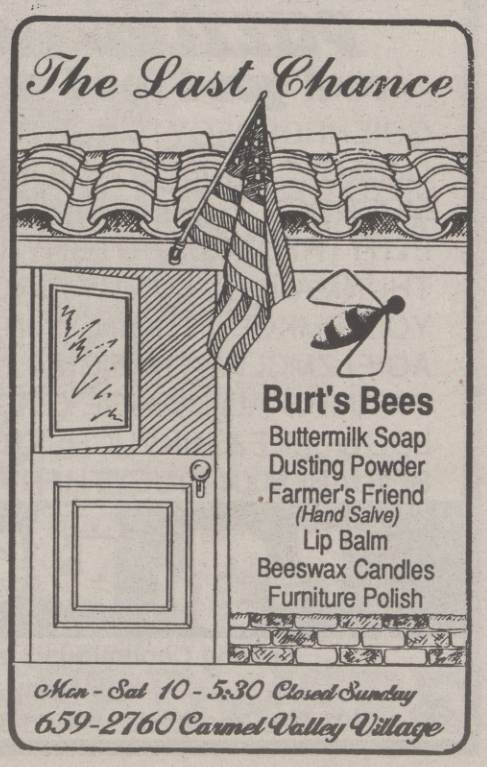
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Survey Finds More Trees; Fewer Pines

A report comparing 20 years of tree surveys found that Carmel has about 7,000 more trees than it did in 1971 but the pines which give the seaside village much of its character are diminishing.

The survey said the total number of trees on public property has increased from 7,836 to 9,828 with the increase mostly in smaller size trees.

The private forest "also drastically increased," the survey said. Twenty years ago there were 15,181 trees and today there are 20,418 with smaller diameter trees increasing by 10.2 percent to account for 46.4 percent of the total.

In addition, the report said, "The total number of public trees in the Carmel Business District has nearly doubled over the past 20 years. There were 457 trees counted on public property downtown in 1971. Most recently 953 trees were counted."

"There have been many changes in the urban forest over the past 20 years," the report summarized. It found the most significant change was in the composition of the private forest where pine trees have gone from 48.4 percent of the total forest to 39.3 percent. "This poses a problem since the pines are a major contributor to the atmosphere of Carmel."

"One of the major threats to pines on private property is the upsurge in construction," the report added. "Rising property values and home owners' desire for larger houses means larger trees are forced to fight for space needed to gather nutrients.

"As a result the larger pines, which are nearing the end of the life expectancy, are stressed. Additionally, when a large pine is removed it may not be replaced unless as a condition of approval for construction."

City Forester Gary Kelly said the report was compiled by two college students acting under his direction who did the annual summer survey of trees. He said it cost about $2,400.

The students also did some bark beetle treatment, Kelly said. In addition, he said the tree surveyors report any trees with problems so the department can attend to them.

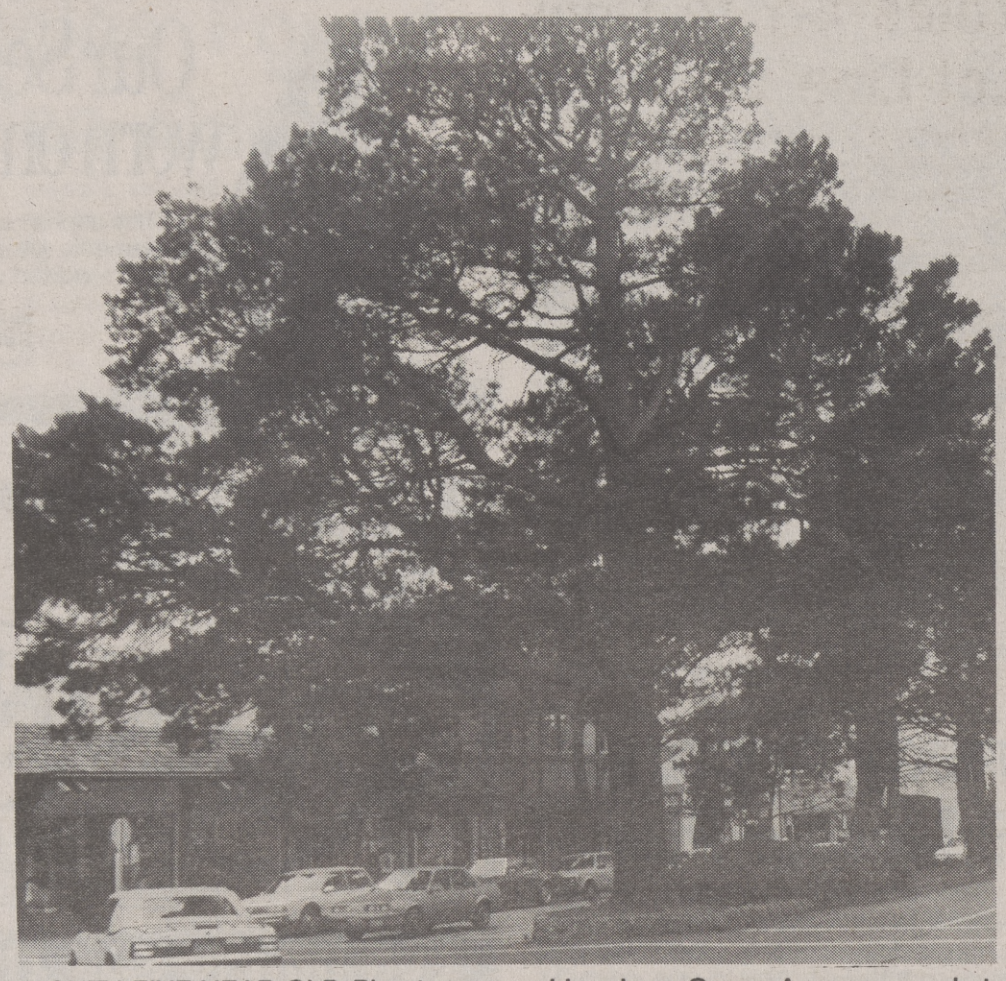
The survey found 3,864 pines on public property and 3,000 on private property. Oaks comprise about the same percentage of the forest as in the past while acacia have changed little.

Cypress trees were not counted during early surveys. The survey said both public and private forests have increased by about 200 cypress trees each since 1981.

The percentage of redwood trees is about constant with 93 on public property and 296 on private land. All other types of trees have almost doubled in the past 20 years, the report said.

Carmel was the first city in the nation to count its trees. Each year about 40 of the 180 blocks are surveyed so that the entire city is surveyed over a period of four years. The city became concerned about its urban forest when it began to develop into a retirement community in the early 70's with many larger homes being built and a resulting loss of trees to construction.

Acting City Administrator Greg D'Ambrosio was the first city forester hired at the time. A forestry commission also was formed. It has since become the Forest and Beach Commission.



EIGHTY-FIVE-YEAR-OLD Pine trees marching down Ocean Avenue are what give Carmel much of its village charm. A tree survey shows that while the city has several thousand more trees in the past 20 years, the number of pines is diminishing. *Sun file photo.*

James Billwiller Dies at 78

James "Jack" Lawrence Billwiller, dean of City College of San Francisco for 34 years and former president of the Harrison Memorial Library Board in Carmel, died Saturday at the Monterey Convalescent Hospital. He was 78.

Billwiller was named Citizen of the Year in February by the Carmel Residents Association (CRA) which honored him for being the "unsung hero" of the library funding wars. He was praised for helping solve the controversy over remodeling of the Crocker Bank building into the library's Park Branch which houses the local history collection and children's section.

Born in Stockton Oct. 20, 1913, Billwiller attended San Jose State University and the University of California at Berkeley. He studied Chinese politics, economics and language during Army Specialized Training at the University of Washington.

Billwiller moved to Carmel in 1979 after his retirement to a home built by his grandfather in 1917. He was the founding president of the Carmel Library Foundation and a board member of the Chamber Music Society.

Billwiller died of complications from surgery to remove a benign brain tumor. He is survived by Primrose, his wife of 47 years.

A memorial service is planned. Contributions may be made to the Carmel Public Library Foundation, P.O.Box 2042, Carmel 93921.

English Garden Writer Will Speak in Carmel

Penelope Hobhouse, a garden writer and lecturer from Somerset, England, will present a slide/lecture Oct. 20 at Sunset Center at 11 a.m. Tickets are $15 and may be purchased at the door. Proceeds will benefit Carmel-By-The-Sea Garden Club projects.

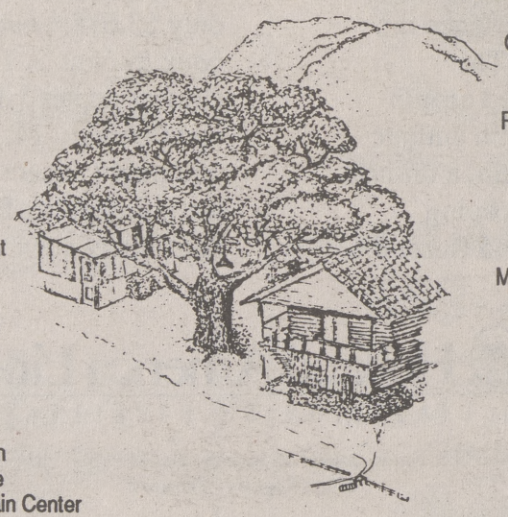
Hobhouse lives in Tintinhull, a National Trust Manor House in Somerset. She is a curator charged with preservation of the garden.

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Advisory Group Votes 4-1 to Deny Phased Big Sur Lot-Line Changes

By Carolyn Rice

The Highlands/Bixby Advisory Committee voted 4-1 to deny a proposed three-step redrawing of the boundaries of 10 existing lots on a 640 acre Rocky Creek Ranch project in Big Sur.

The committee met from 2:30 p.m. until 6 p.m. Monday to tour property located off Palo Colorado Road which has spectacular views of Palo Colorado Canyon and the Pacific Ocean.

Chairwoman Barbara Rainer said the committee denied the project because members believed it would intensify development on the land. "I think they've done a good job aligning the homes," Rainer said.

Committee member David Prew cast the lone vote to approve the application, which would realign 10 lots, but keep the number the same. The committee's decision is not binding, but it simply a recommendation to the County Planning Commission.

Currently, there are four small parcels of about two acres each which would be accessed from Palo Colorado Road and "would probably support one small cabin each," Rainer said. She said they probably couldn't support anything more because they are on steep slopes.

Given the location in sensitive riparian habitat, Rainer said the committee normally would not want to approve any construction on the existing lots.

But if the property lines were redrawn as the developer proposes and the parcels increased in size, they could support large homes and accessory buildings, she said. Allowing larger lots would promote larger homes and other structures which would represent intensification of land use, which the committee also usually opposes.

Under the lot-line adjustment being proposed, the resulting lots would range in size from 41 to 113 acres with an average size of 60 acres.

"It would create an intensity of use in the upland area," Rainers said. "I do see those lots going for a good price. When people pay a lot of money for a parcel they usually build a big home."

Mary Ann Schicketanz, project architect, said she didn't agree. She has been working on the project for owner Marshal Rothman, 38, of Mill Valley for five years and said she has been through seven county planners. Other clients who have recently built homes in Big Sur have wanted small homes as a second home or vacation home, she said. Moving the lines would allow for sunny parcels which was the planners' main concern, she said.

Much of the controversy arises because the lot-line changes would have to be done in three stages because county rules only permit adjustments on contiguous lots and all the desired changes cannot be achieved with one redrawing.

The county required the project planners to demonstrate that homes which are not in the critical viewshed could be built on the parcels, she said. Schicketanz and Rob Carver, another architect, spent two days a week for about three months redrawing the lot lines and planning building sites for homes which would not be in the viewshed, Carver said.

"No new roads have to be created to the building sites," Schicketanz said, eliminating any new cuts in the hills. "They do not have to be widened." She said the present lots off Palo Colorado Canyon Road are in a more environmentally sensitive area with redwoods and riparian habitat than they would be in the upland area. The owner is trying to be very sensitive to the site, Carver said.

Committee members asked whether the houses could be clustered. "Our contention is that it is clustered," Carver said. "All the homes are off the existing road."

The advisory committee members visited each of the parcels and looked at the staking for potential home sites. They were located back from the edges of the ridges and screened by existing vegetation.

Mark Davidian, an advisory committee member, questioned, "Would anyone want to build here as opposed to down there where you can see?" gesturing towards the edge of a hill which afforded a 180 degree view of the Pacific. "All of the building sites we've seen, I can't imagine anyone building there," Davidian said.

Schicketanz said the lot lines had been changed so the building sites would not be in critical viewsheds. "There won't be any lots completely in critical viewsheds," she said. Some lots had been staked and lit at nighttime to demonstrate to the county the homes would not be in the viewshed, she said. The current project is just for lot lines, and if the lines are redrawn as proposed, future purchasers would still have to go through the whole process again to get permits, Schicketanz said.



POINTING OUT A POTENTIAL HOME SITE, Mary Ann Schicketanz, project architect for a 640-acre Rocky Point development, told Carmel Highlands/Bixby Advisory Committee members how sites were placed out of the critical viewshed. Committee members from left are Mark Davidian, Barbara Rainer and Paul Ernest. The committee denied the project with a 4-1 vote. *Sun photo by Carolyn Rice*

"We really tried to comply with the rules and come up with building sites," she said. If future owners want to build in a location, they would have take up the battle for themselves, she said.

"I don't think people realize how much these houses are compromised with the Land Use Plan," Carver said. "People could have spectacular views." But instead of a spectacular view from the living room or bedroom, the owners may have to settle for a view from the deck, he said, adding he agrees with the concept of keeping homes out of the viewshed.

Schicketanz said, "We did not see why someone up here could not have an ocean view. We tried to find the line where you (future homes) can see the ocean, but when you drive down the highway, you can't see them."

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Resident Jane Mayer complained about the ugly colors of the recycling bins that sit outside Carmel houses all day. She said Pebble Beach residents have discreet dark green bins.

The council also approved conditionally resolutions that would allow the complicated transfer of a 24,000 square foot lot at Pescadero Canyon to the city in return for a 5,000-square foot lot on Mission and an undeveloped portion of Ninth Avenue east of Sunset Center.

However, City Attorney Don Freeman explained that property owners on either side of the Mission and Ninth parcel who each own fee title to the centerline of Ninth Avenue have not yet agreed to the exchange. The council's unanimous approval of the deal therefore had to be conditioned on such an agreement. The property owners would get income tax deductions if they agreed to give up their rights to the property.

"We are attempting to complete the exchange at no cost to the city," Freeman explained. "If it's going to work, we have to have the agreement back to you by the November meeting."

If agreement can be reached, the exchange would help preserve the environmentally sensitive canyon and still allow the Tescher/LeVett firm to build a house on the unused portion of Ninth Avenue.

Freeman said appraisals commissioned by the city put the value of the canyon lot at $215,000 and the value of the 9th and Mission land at $295,000.

Tescher/Levett would be charged with the $20,000 cost of drainage work on the land plus the appraisals and other city expenses.

Livingston also pointed out that the developers "would be getting a better building site. They could build a house for a lot less money" than on the edge of the canyon.

Freeman said that because of the disparity in value of the two parcels, however, the city would have to make legal findings to show there was an overriding consideration above the land value.

The idea for the trade was suggested nearly two years ago when Chris Tescher first brought plans for development of the canyon lot to the Planning Commission. He was given a use permit to build a house pending action on a land swap.

Meanwhile Friends of Pescadero Canyon, a group created to save the canyon which forms the north border of western Carmel, appealed the use permit. That appeal is still pending but was continued Tuesday night until the land trade is settled.

In other action, the council overturned a Planning Commission decision and voted 5-0 to stop newspaper advertising for land development projects. Planning Director Diane White said this would save about $1,200 a year and was not required by law.

The commission unanimously opposed the change, saying the public must be kept informed on such projects. Livingston suggested the way to solve the problem was to charge the applicants the estimated $60 cost.

"I'd like to see all other notice requirements paid for by the applicants," she said. The Planning Department was directed to come back to the council with a proposed fee schedule.

Livingston also won approval for her request that Carmel adopt ordinances governing wetland setbacks because of such areas as Pescadero Canyon and Rio Park which is dissected by the Carmel River.

Councilman Bob Fischer said he was concerned that such restrictions could interfere with development of the park and construction of a ball park.

"If the city proceeds with annexation of the park," Acting City Administrator Greg D'Ambrosio said, "It would no longer be in the County so we could set our own zoning and setback standards."

Associate Planner Brian Roseth, sitting in for Diane White, said the department and the commission had a lot of different project in the works and needed guidance on what kind of priority to give such an ordinance.

Mayor White said he would meet with Commission Chairman Jack Kennedy to fit it in because the commission has "a heavy workload."

Alan Williams, representing Mission Ranch which borders Rio Park, said, "If you create a setback 200 feet from the river, it would preclude your design ability to develop that property." The city paid $1.7 million for the parcel on an installment sale.

Council Approves Updated Committees

The Landlord/Tenant Committe and the 2016 Committee both had their updated membership ratified Tuesday by the Carmel City Council.

Chairman Melvin Kline presented these members: City Councilman Phil Coniglio, Planning Commissioner Lindsay Hanna, new members Janice Fisher and Louis Ungaretti, and current members Don Bowen, Gaspar Cardinale, James Gregg, Thomas Korper, John Plastini, Barbara Simmons and Pat Sippel.

Chairman Neal Kruse provided the current list of 2016 Committee members: Ann Beckett, Wendy Banks, Steve Brooks, husband of Councilwoman Barbara Brooks, Vance Frasier, Jim Holliday, Planning Commissioner Edward Jordan, Bruce Kibby and Ralph White, husband of Planning Director Diane White.

Carmel Budget Committee Named

The City Council Tuesday approved Mayor Ken White's creation of an Ad Hoc Budget Committee he said would keep the council informed about city financial matters on a regular monthly basis.

White freely admitted that neither the council nor its two-member Finance Committee had "played a strong role in the past" in budget matters. He said he hoped no city administrator would ever have to go through the effort Acting City Administrator Greg D'Ambrosio and Financial Services Coordinator Sandi Davenport put forth to prepare the current budget in the face of a sharp downturn in revenues.

White said the committee would consist of City Treasurer Charles W. Reiman, the chairman, Council members Barbara Livingston and Phil Coniglio, who comprise the Finance Committee, and D'Ambrosio.

In response to a question from Councilwoman Barbara Brooks, City Attorney Don Freeman said the meetings would not fall under the Brown Act and would not have to be open to the public as long as no other people were involved.

"As long as it's a subcommittee of the council, it doesn't require the same formality," he said.

Alan Williams, whose group Carmel Citizens for Good Government, earlier called on the mayor to create a budget committee involving citizens, said, he thought it was "a good step" but he would like to see it open to people who want to attend .

Brooks said professionals needed to handle the budget in the early stages but suggested at some point it would be a good topic for a town meeting.

White Names Search Committee

Former Monterey City Manager Lee Riordan and Carmel Treasurer Charles Reiman were named Tuesday to help in the selection process for a new Carmel city administrator.

Mayor Ken White and Councilman Bob Fischer, who comprise the council's Personnel Committee, recommended the council accept Reiman and Riordan's offer to help out. Reiman was a city manager in Southern California before moving to Carmel.

Assistant City Manager Greg D'Ambrosio has been Acting City Administrator since March when Doug Schmitz resigned after 10 years to take a similar position in Lake Oswego, Ore. D'Ambrosio, who has been with the city for more than 20 years, does not want the top job. Schmitz was earning $75,000 but the salary and benefits are negotiable.

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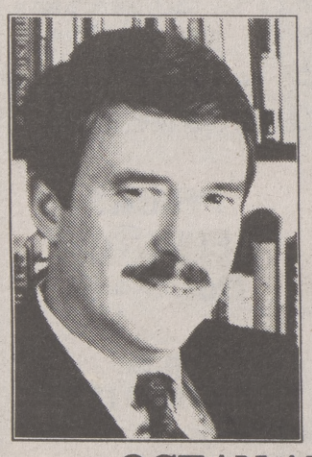
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DISCOVERY – THE LIVELY ARTS

By Barbara Rose Shuler

Festival of Firsts Is Streamlined

A new, streamlined "Festival of Firsts" emerged in this 15th year of the Carmel event. Brian Donoghue, Carmel's Cultural Director, reduced the festival to a 10-day affair, radically changed the Sunset Center playing area and directed the first prize winner himself. He hopes in the future to bring in well-known playwrights to serve on the panels and to present workshops.

The Festival of Firsts was the creation of Carmel Mayor Gunnar Norberg, who loved live theater and felt strongly that Carmel should continue as a lively center for the production of the classics as well as contemporary plays. The festival for new plays has taken place faithfully each year since its inception, though at times funding has been prohibitively slim. One hundred to 150 plays are submitted each year from all over the nation. Local readers select the first prize winner and the runners up to be presented for audiences and a panel of critics.

This event fascinates me. We have all seen live theater, some excellent, some dreary and poorly performed. The plays themselves though, with a few exceptions, have been tested and proven workable. They are the great classics, the Broadway successes, the Tony Award winners and so on. They are the plays that regularly get produced both professionally and on the amateur stage. Rarely do we have an opportunity to examine the process of writing plays, of creating effective scripts. The Festival of Firsts as yet does not attract perfect plays manicured to withstand the toughest criticism. They are works in progress, so far all of them in need of trimming and rewriting. Over the years this event has given me more appreciation of the challenge of script writing than the hundreds of plays I have seen fully produced.

For the last six or seven years I have been asked to serve on the critics' panels for the Festival of Firsts which examines the plays for strengths and weakneses. This year we critiqued the two runners up—" The American Banner: The Blacks and The Irish" and "Home to Monticello"—both intriguing scripts and each in need of considerable work to be ready for the stage. "American Banner," by James V. Hatch and William Beard of New York, confused me so much initially that I wasn't sure that I could speak intelligently about it. However, the characters were so captivating that the reading entertained in spite of the confusion. The plot revolved around an interaction between novelist Horatio Alger and four characters he created. Panelist John Rousseau observed about the play that it had the kind of dissonance that one finds sometimes in a creative process just before it comes together. He was right. The elements were there for an engaging drama but like puzzle pieces needed the right arrangement to work.

"Home to Monticello" by James L. Crowell of Oregon presented different challenges. Again the concept of the script was intriguing—an intimate look at Thomas Jefferson during his later years with an emphasis on his affair with a beautiful, intelligent slave woman. The problem with this play keyed on the figure of Jefferson, in my view. Rather than a lively look at the famous statesman in the privacy of his home, we were given a cardboard public Jefferson with no heart and soul. What could have been presented as a passionate, revealing relationship with his family and slaves was instead a stiff and unsatisfactory series of exchanges. There were some excellent moments along the way, though, and Crowell certainly tackled a provocative theme in "Home to Monticello."

"The Zamboni Situation" as First Prize winner was fully staged. The production was excellent. Directing, acting and sets were first-rate. The bold new design that converted the Sunset auditorium into an intimate theater was a brilliant touch by director Brian Donoghue. The play itself—a collaborative effort of Michigan playwrights Arnie Johnson and Deb Percy—drew the audience into a tense period in the life of a police officer, his partner, his wife and another colleague on the Detroit police force. The officer shot a teenager, presumably in self defense. The lad is in critical condition, fighting for life and the officer's career is on the line. His fate hinges on finding the gun possessed by the kid, though there seems to be some question as to whether the gun actually exists.

I enjoyed "The Zamboni Situation" in spite of its flaws. The actors did a dazzling job of creating characters out of difficult material. Donoghue's direction was smooth and thorough. He modulated the tone of the performers so that angry outbursts and tense moments achieved maximum impact. Chuck Thurman played the part of the officer who shot the boy, a marvelous acting portrait of a man in crises. Mary-Ann Lucido as his wife carved a splendid character out of her part of the script. Sandy Sidener rose to the toughest challenge as the female partner who was at the scene of the shooting. Hansford Prince as the black colleague trying to help his friend was also superb.

The most interesting aspect of this script came in the form of the self-deception and dishonesty of each of the characters. The play itself was too long and did not develop sufficient tension to make the final scene as powerful as it needed to be. Trimmed and tightened it would make a fine one-act play or perhaps a good television script for a 30-minute police drama. Nevertheless, it was worth seeing. Three cheers for Charlie Houghton's terrific sets, by the way. We're certainly fortunate to have his talents in our community!

One of these years, Carmel's Festival of Firsts may attract a world class play—one that goes on to win top awards and becomes a classic. It's possible, you know. In the meantime, congratulations to this year's winners and to all of those who work hard to keep the festival alive and growing!

Sunset Task Force Approves Timetable For Renovations

The Sunset Center Renovation Task Force has proposed an ambitious draft timeline calling for City Council approval of an architect and expenditure of funds to pay for completion of the first phase of the million dollar-plus project by July 5.

The city would then negotiate a contract for completion of a schematic design to include conceptual drawings, elevations, a preliminary floor plan, section studies, a preliminary cost estimate, and an architectural team to make a presentation to the community.

Sunset Center was Carmel's local school until 1964 when the city acquired it. The 730-seat theater is virtually unchanged from when it was the school auditorium.

The home of the world-famous Bach Festival, the center is in need of major renovations both to maintain the events it has and to attract more.

The Community and Cultural Commission warned the City Council in February that failure to remodel threatened the city's role at the forefront of art and culture in the area with "wide-ranging implications involving the long-term economic health of Carmel-by-the-Sea."

Leading up to July, the task force proposes to ask the Cultural Commission for approval of a scope of work at its Dec. 17 meeting. A task force meeting Jan. 21 would agree upon criteria for the selection of an architect and preliminary letters would be mailed to selected architects Feb. 1. The preferred architect for the job would be chosen June 15 and submitted to the commission for approval June 21.

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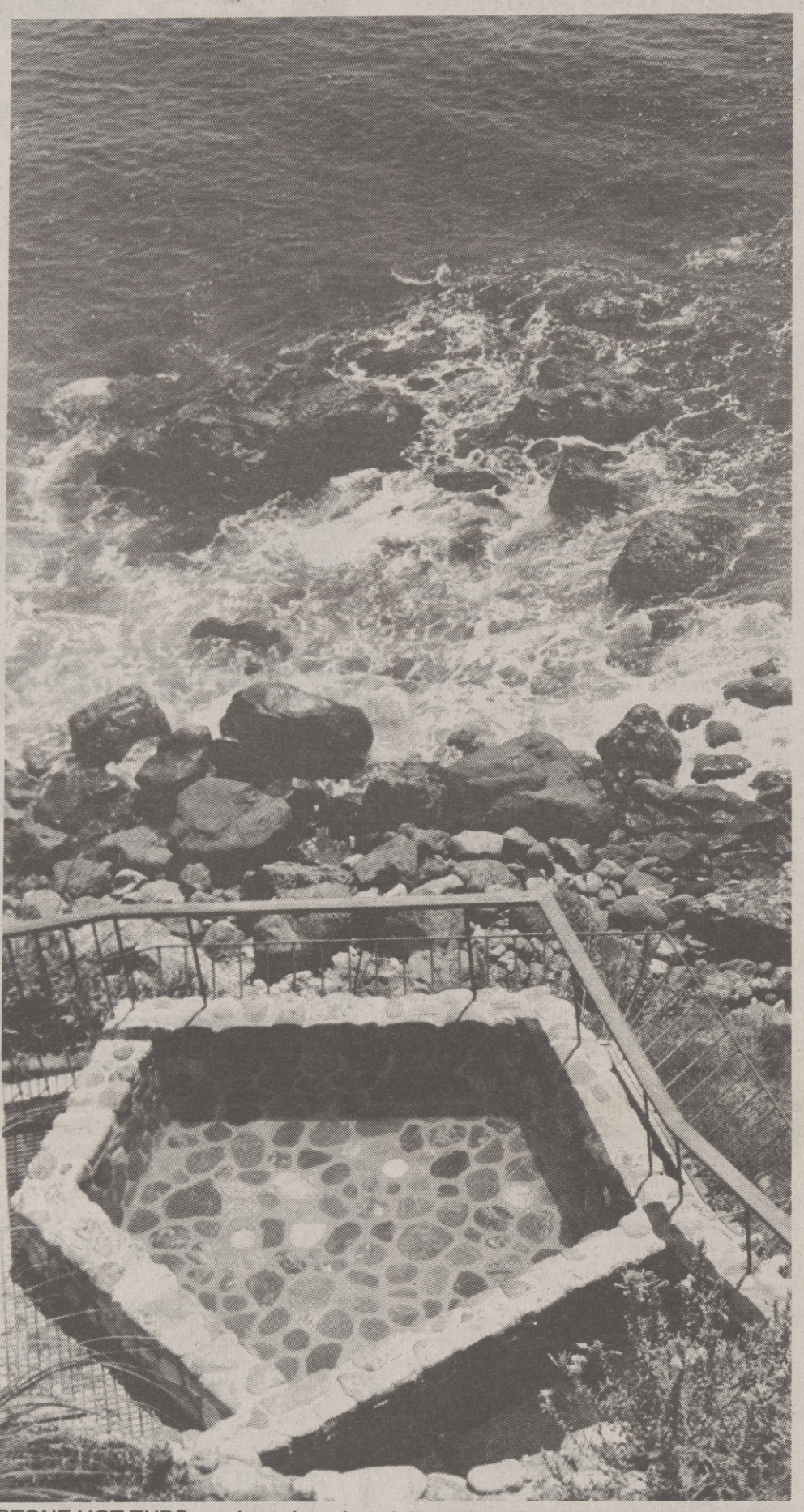
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A concert at the institute Saturday featuring Joan Baez will commemorate its founding. The Board of Supervisors granted permission for 2,000 people to attend after the Planning Commission initially turned it down. But tickets for the performance have long been sold out.

The initial home of encounter therapy, Esalen Institute is known worldwide for its programs—pioneering to some, far-out to others.

Its creators were Michael Murphy, grandson of the Salinas doctor who delivered writer John Steinbeck, and his good friend, Richard Price. Both were in their 30s, both had studied psychology at Stanford, although they hadn't known each other there, and both were casting around for something to devote their lives to.

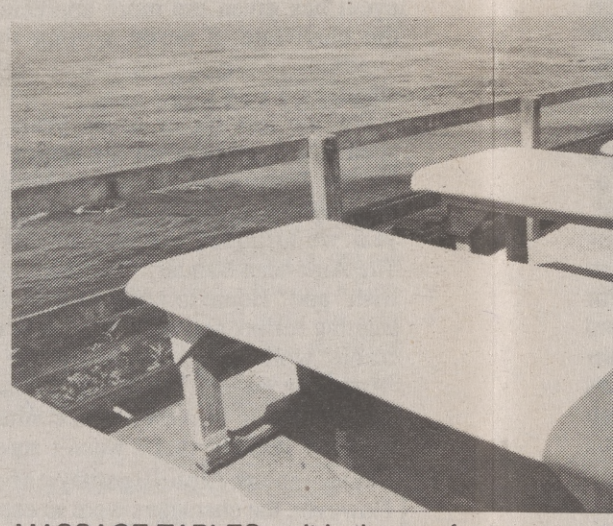
The days of unchecked drug use and casual sex are gone, and what remains is a center for experimental education, a center that offers residential seminars lasting a weekend or a week and work-study programs lasting 28 days.



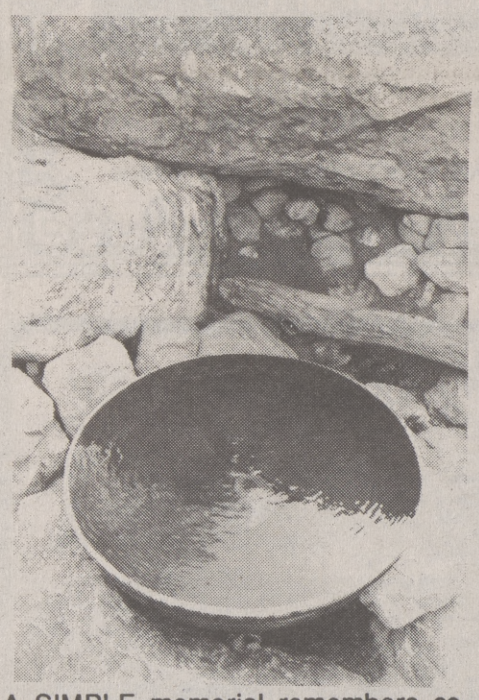
STONE HOT TUBS perch on the edge of the cliff overlooking Big Sur's relentless surf. The site's naturally hot water first attracted the Esselen Indians who considered it sacred.



REMODELED home of co-founder Michael Murph grandfather provides 10 bedrooms for Esalen Instit which greets about 8,000 guests a year. A world ren



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A SIMPLE memorial remembers co-founder Richard Price, who was killed in a 1985 hiking accident.

This internationally-known center of spiritual growth offers such esoteric courses as Intermediate Craniosacral Workshop and Eco-Design. But there are many programs with more widespread appeal—a Workshop for Couples, Fathers and Sons, Daughter-Mother Dialogue and Waking up at Midlife.

The mind is the focus, but the body is not ignored at Esalen. There are courses in yoga, massage and wilderness experience, and of course, there is the naturally hot spring water and the awesome coastal beauty.

"The vision of Esalen is naturally connected to its setting," wrote George Leonard, a member of the board of trustees, in an article for *Esquire*.

Esalen is reached off Highway 1, about 12 miles south of Nepenthe. A sharp turn leads down a steep hill past many of the redwood guest quarters, which General Manager Brian Lyke describes as "tastefully rustic."

The center of the institute includes registration, a cafeteria and a heated pool, set amidst lushly watered flowers. North of there, a path leads to a footbridge over Hot Springs Creek, the institute's water source. Under the bridge is a meditation center, a small round building described in Chinese script as "peaceful spot beside warm water." Nearby is a memorial to co-founder Price, who was killed by a falling boulder while hiking in the mountains above the institute in 1985.

Murphy still serves on the institute's board, but no longer controls day-to-day operations and has moved to San Rafael where he is writing. His work, *The Future of the Body* was recently published.

The original vacation home built by Murphy's grandfather sits on the edge of the Pacific and has been recently remodeled. With 10 bedrooms, it accommodates some of the 8,000 or so people who attend Esalen seminars each year.

A staff of around 100 is typically on hand to see to guests needs—mental and physical.

To the north of the Murphy house are the Barn, the institute's arts and crafts center; the Gazebo School which educates children of local residents, employees and guests in grades 1 to 5; and the three-acre farm which provides organic fruits and vegetables for the cafeteria. The cafeteria is the only dining room, and guests serve themselves buffet style.

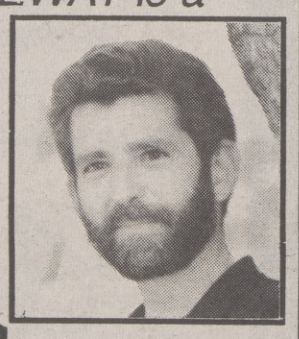


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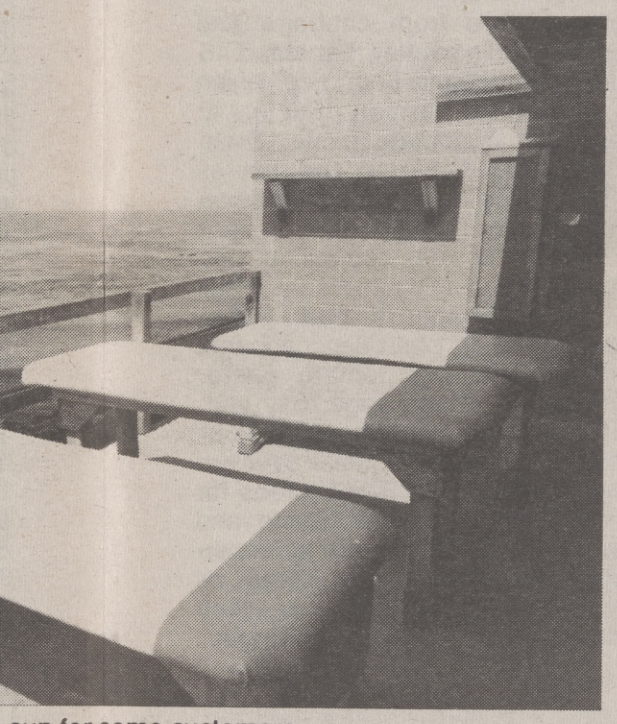
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sun for some customers.

The bathhouse that allows access to the institute's famous hot springs is at the southernmost point of the 25-acre property.

After showering in the dark changing room, the bright sunshine and vast ocean unfold before you as if you were walking out of a tunnel. Several standard bathtubs are sheltered by a roof but offer an unobstructed view of the pacific. The tubs are filled by water diverted from the hot springs, the temperature being moderated by adding cold water from a nearby hose.

Through an archway are two open-air tubs that can comfortably hold four adults each. Made of stone, they are poised on the edge of the cliff above a relentless surf.

Mixed nudity is the norm in the baths. Lyke, the general manager, said some guests find it therapeutic. "For people recovering from sexual abuse problems, this mixed nudity—in a non-threatening environment—can be very beneficial," he said.

The best way to get to know Esalen is to attend an Experiencing Esalen Workshop. It outlines the variety of programs that are offered. The weekend seminar being offered might include sensory awareness, group process, guided fantasy, meditation and massage.

The standard charge for such a seminar is $350 including room and board. Lower rates are available for guest who sleep in bunk beds or sleeping bags.

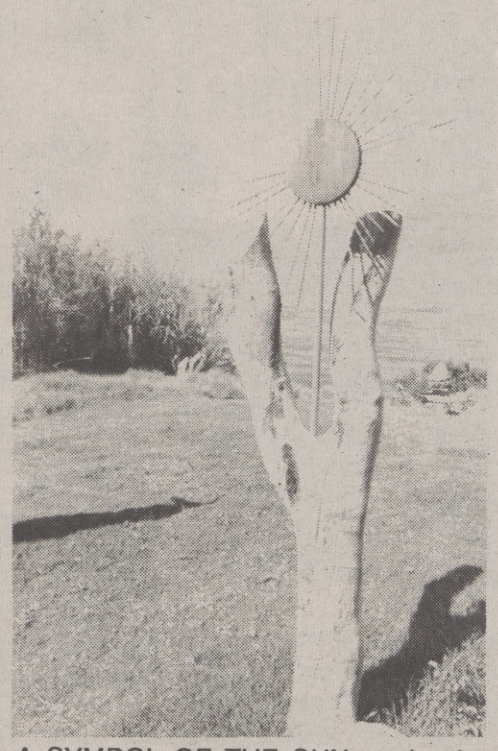
A week-long program costs $675, with similar savings available for accepting less than the standard guest accommodations.

If space is available, visitors can stay at Esalen and not attend the seminars, but take advantage of the grounds, the scenery and the baths and massage. Between 1 and 3:30 a.m. non-guests can visit the baths. Reservations are required, space is limited to 30 people and the charge is $10 each.

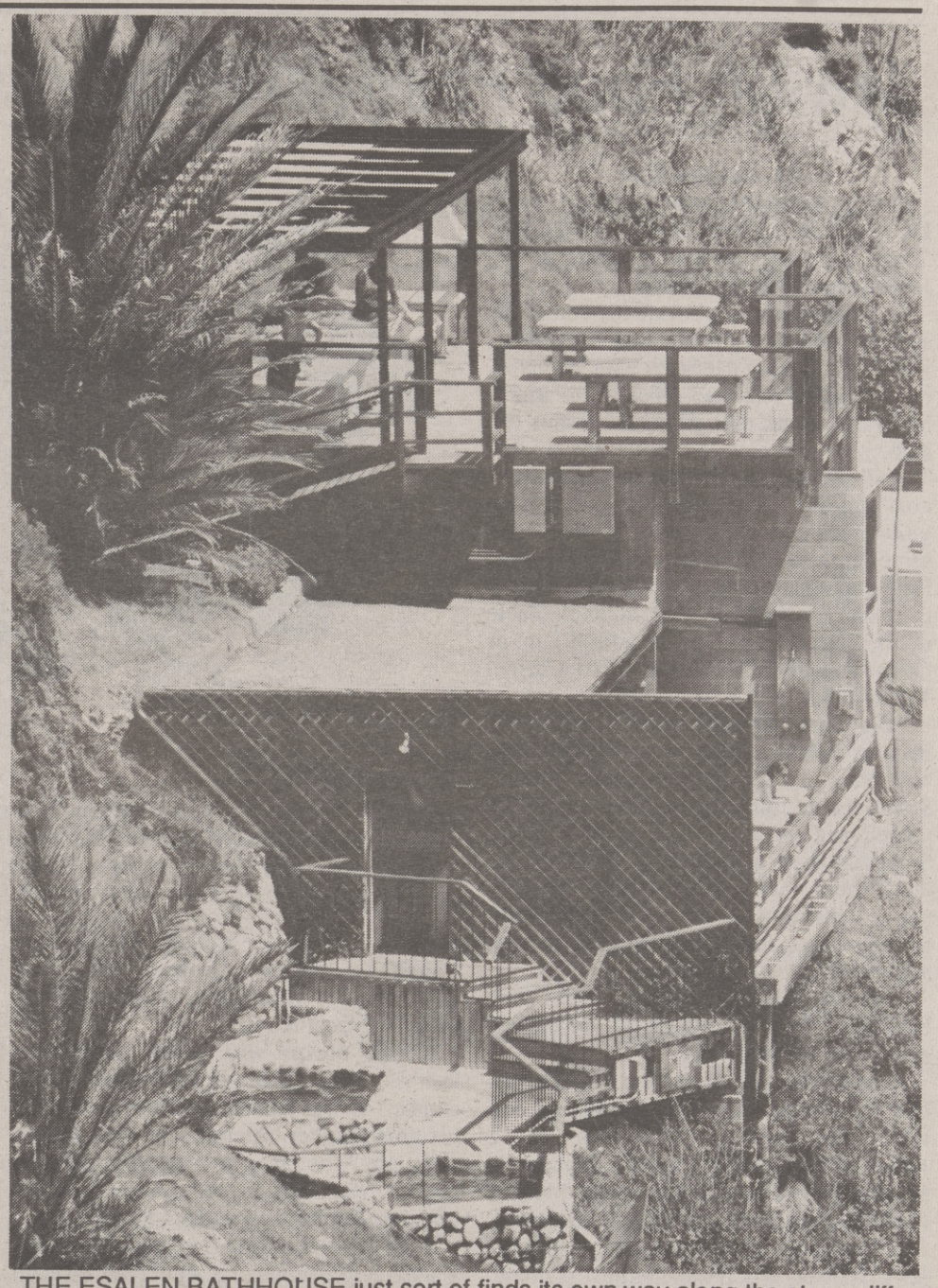
Institute officials said they don't know why, but not many local people attend the programs. Lyke suggested they may still remember what it was like when it was still Slate's Hot Springs.

After convincing his grandmother to give him control of the property, Murphy and his new partner created the institute in October of 1962, their goal being the establishment of a center for the exploration of new ideas—one not linked to any one philosophy or doctrine.

Casting around for a theme, they first looked at the writings of English novelist Aldous Huxley, who had postulated that humans use only 10 percent of their brains. Huxley argued that if some way could be found to unlock the extra potential, great progress could be made in all human endeavors. The first formal programs Murphy and Price put on were called, "The Human Potentiality."



A SYMBOL OF THE SUN marks the start of one trail, denoting birth. A similar symbol, depicting the moon and death, marks the end of it.

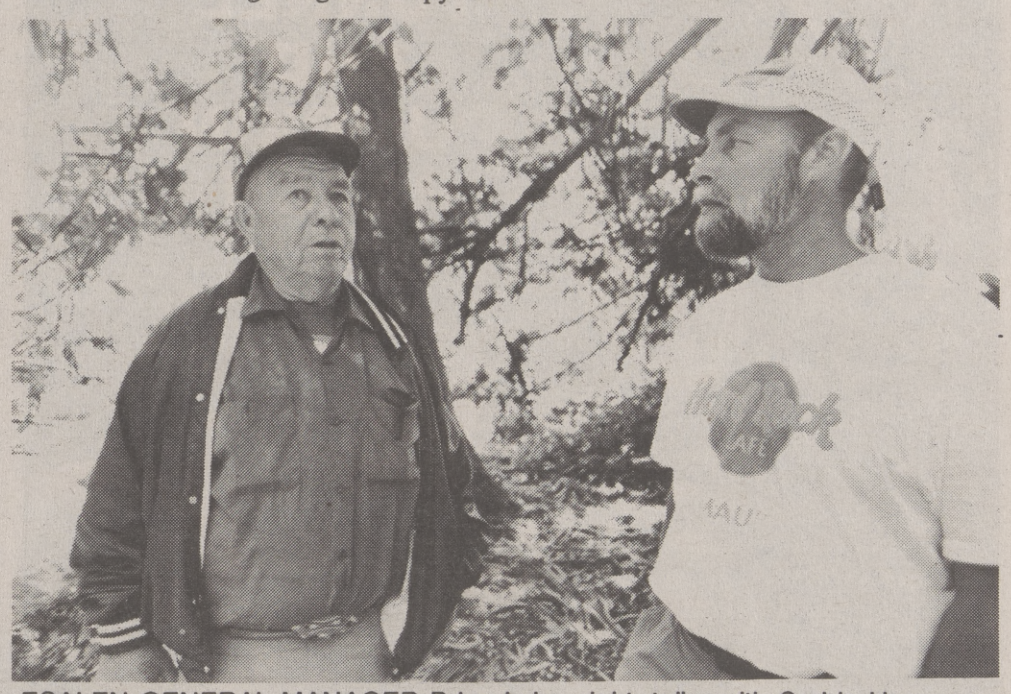


THE ESALEN BATHHOUSE just sort of finds its own way along the steep cliff. The hedonists took over in the 1960s, and reports of unchecked drug use and sex were common.

They also embraced the work of Abraham Maslow, who argued the psychological establishment was spending too much time studying the mentally ill and not enough understanding successful people. Maslow called them self-actualizers.

In 1962, Maslow dropped in unannounced and by accident while vacationing in California with his wife. When the desk clerk read his signature on the guest register, he went racing to get a copy of Maslow's landmark book, "Toward a Psychology of Being," to get him to autograph it.

Maslow became impressed with the vision of Murphy and Price and consulted with them on how to turn it into reality. In time, he provided one of the best early testimonials for Esalen, calling it one of the country's most important educational institutes.



ESALEN GENERAL MANAGER Brian Lyke, right, talks with Corbin Harney, a spiritual leader of the Shoshone who is visiting the institute.

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Jewish Food Festival Features Traditional Peasant Tastes

By Carolyn Rice

"My grandmother would just die if she knew I wasn't using smaltz," said Larry Solow who will be frying latkes at the Jewish Food Festival Sunday.

In deference to a cholesterol conscious society, Solow, a Pebble Beach resident, will fry his potato pancakes with vegetable oil instead of rendered chicken fat which his grandmother uses when she makes the dish.

And even though his grandmother would not approve of the alteration, Solow guarantees his latkes will be delicious served up with sour cream and applesauce. He's hoping a crowd of 5,000 will sample them and other Jewish specialities available at the festival from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. at Congregation Beth Israel, 5716 Carmel Valley Road.

"We have fights," when it comes to making the latkes, Solow said. "One guy will only use his grandmother's grate." Some people think the potatoes should be peeled and other say not to peel them. Some like them grated finely, and other say leave them course. Some people want to use a restaurant grater rather than grate them by hand. Some like their latkes crispy, and others want them mushy.

"Ours are halfway between," Solow said, explaining they are crispy on the outside and mushy in the middle.

Food preparation for the festival has been underway since the middle of August, and while 900 cabbage rolls made by 12 volunteers under Zane Speiser's supervision are now in the freezer, most of the food is prepared fresh for the festival.

"We are a very diverse congregation," said Speiser, a Carmel Valley resident. "Most of our ancestors came to the U.S. at the turn of the century." Member of the congregation "reflect every crisis we've had in the world," he said.

The congregation of 250 families has members from the Middle East, Germany, Eastern Europe, Russia, Iran and Israel. A lot of families come through the Defense Language Institute, Solow said. And wherever they come from, "Everybody has their own local recipes."

Which recipe will Solow use for his latkes? "My great-grandmother's, of course." It was handed down to Solow by his grandmother. Speiser said his cabbage rolls are "the ones my mother used to make." His mother and Solow's great-grandmother both came from Russia.

A lot of Jewish food is peasant food, said Cathleen Rosenthal, a South Coast resident who is Episcopalian but grew up next door to a Jewish family and has friends at Congregation Beth Israel. This is the fourth year she has helped with the food festival. "We get wonderful recipes," she said.

A little group of Russian women make the peroshkis—meatballs with matzo meal or crust on the outside. "They speak English until you ask them for the recipe," Rosenthal said.

Five hundred pounds of pastrami has been ordered for sandwiches and 200 pounds of corned beef.

About 500 knishes—potatoes or meat with a crust shell—will be ready for sale and 2,000 cheese blintzes. Other cooks will bake challah, a braided egg bread, or kugel, noodle pudding. Five gallons of kosher dills have been ordered for the occasion, 500 pounds of potatoes, 200 pounds of onions, 40 dozen eggs and eight gallons of oil.

Cheesecakes and egg creams—a drink made with seltzer and chocolate sauce—will satisfy those who arrive with a sweet tooth. Solow said he heard one lady is coming from San Francisco with a cheesecake to enter the cheesecake contest.

Many peninsula residents head for the festival when they get out of church. "The food festival is probably many residents only contact with the Jewish community," Solow said.

Israeli dancing lessons and music and tours of the synagogue will round out the day. The admission fee is $2, and vans will run from Carmel Middle School since parking is limited at the temple.



JEWISH FOOD SPECIALITIES including latkes, blintzes and cabbage rolls will be offered to those who attend the food festival at Congregation Beth Israel in Carmel Valley on Sunday. Larry Solow, Zane Speiser, and Carol Rosenthal are among the volunteers who will prepare food. *Sun photo by Carolyn Rice*

Larry Solow's Latkes

6 potatoes grated
2 eggs
1 medium onion
1/4 cup flour or matzo meal
1/2 teaspoon baking powder
1/4 teaspoon salt
1/4 teaspoon pepper

Drain excess liquid from grated potatoes and onion (unless you like mushy latkes.) Mix all the ingredients together and fry at medium high temperature with vegetable oil or rendered chicken fat if you're a purist. Serve with sour cream and applesauce.

Zane Speiser's Cabbage Rolls

1 large head of cabbage
1 pound lean ground beef
1/2 cup cooked rice
1/2 large onion grated
1 egg
1 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon pepper
1 six-ounce can tomato paste
1 eight-ounce can tomato sauce
1 cup water
1/4 teaspoon sage
1 bay leaf
1/4 cup packed brown sugar
2 or 3 tablespoons lemon juice (or vinegar)

Remove core from cabbage and cover with boiling water. Let stand 15 minutes. Mix ground beef, rice, onion egg, salt and pepper. Stir in 2 tablespoons of tomato paste. Drain cabbage and separate the leaves carefully. Place a heaping tablespoon of meat mixture (oval shaped) on each leaf. Tuck in the sides and roll up. Use toothpicks to secure if necessary. Place shredded cabbage in pan. Place cabbage rolls on shredded cabbage. Combine remaining tomato paste, tomato sauce, water, sage, bay leaf, brown sugar and lemon juice. Pour over rolls. Cover and simmer over low heat or bake over at 375 degrees for one hour. Then uncover, baste and bake for 20 more minute to brown slightly. The rolls are also known as holiskes, praakes, galuptzi, or when raisins are added to the sauce, sarma.





MERV SUTTON, MARION TAVERNETTI AND HECTOR, the St. Bernard, met recently to plan the Tavernetti Turkey Trot. Tavernetti said donations of $25 will entitle people to a turkey from Nielsen's Market, San Carlos and 7th, Carmel. Those who purchase tickets will also be eligible for other prizes. The fundraiser will benefit Monterey Peninsula Alliance on Aging and Meals on Wheels, Tavernetti said. Local residents will receive a flyer. *Sun photo by Carolyn Rice*

OUT AND ABOUT

BY STAN HALL

There used to be a picture on TV called The $6 Million Man. As I recall, it was about an astronaut who had been reconstructed from many man-made parts after a bad accident.

Well, we've got a $600 cat. Actually, the vet bill was $601, and it didn't include any bionic parts.

The cat is Lucy, usually called Lucy Bird (sometimes Luce Bird) after Lady Bird, Linda Bird and Lyndon Bird Johnson. You remember, we got her and her brother, Linus, about a year and a half ago through the good services of Donna Hamilton, who runs the Iron Kettle Restaurant and rescues kitty cats. Sometimes I call Linus "Linus Bird."

Lucy is a tiny little black and white thing who, unlike her brother, is sweet. When she comes in the house, she likes to go upstairs to our bedroom and sleep on the comforter.

When we got the kittens, we told them that they were going to be outdoor cats. They've got lots of places they can get in to sleep, including the green house, and they can come in the house in the evening to sit on our laps, but otherwise they live outdoors.

Things were going along just fine until a few weeks ago when Lucy didn't show up for several days at feeding time. It wasn't like her, but I didn't think much about it—the cats in our neighborhood seem to take turns staying at one house and then another. I figured she just found somebody she liked better—for at least a few days.

Then one morning, when I called the cats for breakfast, Lucy came. As she usually does, she came in the kitchen while I was putting out the cat food. I noticed she was limping. I picked her up and held her upside down in my arms like I usually do and saw that the skin had been torn from most of her stomach and down part of one leg.

I never put her down. I just got the cat cage, put her in it and took her immediately to Dr. Bishop at the Crossroads.

I felt terrible. My first thought was that the raccoons that had been coming every night to polish off the remaining cat food had attacked little Lucy. I had written about the raccoons earlier, drawing the wrath of several people who said 1) I shouldn't feed the raccoons under any circumstances and 2) I was wrong when I said that raccoons didn't attack cats.

"I think it must have been the raccoons," I told the ladies at Dr. Bishop's when I checked Lucy in. "I don't know what else could have caused such a terrible wound."



LUCY didn't want her picture taken.

"Yes, yes," agreed one of them. "We see lots of terrible things from raccoons. On dogs and cats, too."

I had written earlier about how our old cat, Charlie, used to sleep under the house with raccoons in Michigan, and they had never bothered him. After people read that column and told me that raccons would attack cats, we made it a point for a few evenings to bring the left-over cat food in after the cats had eaten so we wouldn't attract the raccoons.

But I really wasn't convinced, and after a while, I stopped bringing the food in. The raccoons returned, sometimes as many as four or five of them coming about 9 p.m. to pick up the left-over cat crunchies from the plastic dish with their little fingers and get the cats' water bowl filthy by washing everything in it.

"Well, this is what you get for not believing people about raccoons," I told myself, feeling terrible about what had happened to Lucy. Her stomach looked like somebody had tried to skin her; there was a raw wound about six inches long. That's a big wound, considering that Lucy is only about twice that long.

During those days when she was missing, I figured Lucy must have been holed up somewhere recovering and taking care of herself. She kept wanting to lick the wound, and at the vet's they had to put a big collar on her to keep her from washing after they had sewn her up.

I didn't talk to Dr. Bishop for several days. I knew he would take good care of her, so I didn't bother him. Finally, after about two weeks, I called, and they said that Lucy could come home. They had had to operate on her three times, the receptionist told me.

When I went to get her, I saw Dr. Bishop. "Was it raccons?" I asked.

"I don't think so," he said. "There were no puncture wounds like there would have been from a raccoon's paw. I think she may have been hit by a car and maybe dragged somehow by it. I don't know what else could have caused it unless maybe she fell and got caught in something. I don't know."

I don't know, either. But I feel better about it having heard Dr. Bishop's explanation. Isabelle said she thinks Lucy must have hurt herself by somehow getting caught in the solar panels on the roof of the house. Being so small and light, I simply don't see how she could have hurt herself so badly either by getting caught in something or falling.

But Lucy is going to be okay now. She still limps a little, but not as much as before. Dr. Bishop said as bad as she looked, there wasn't too much muscle damage.

She's got a big, long scar, but the hair is growing back where they had to shave her at the animal hospital. She and Linus play rough just like they did before, pouncing on one another in mock anger. Ever once in a while, one of them will get a little too rough, and the other one will get mad.

On many evenings, Linus and Lucy will lie on the outdoor chairs on the deck and watch as the raccoons come to finish off their supper. They don't bother the raccoons, and the raccoons pay them little attention. The other night, a possum came, too. I thought the cats might get it, but they didn't.

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A group of friends who have been building sand castles for 21 years won the coveted Golden Shovel Sunday with a sculpture of a scared child cowering under his blanket in fear of the enormous monster that wasn't just under his bed, it was his bed.

The winning sand castle was unique in the 32nd annual Great Sand Castle at Carmel Beach. The group that built it included Holly Decker and Carol Covell, both teachers at Tularcitos School in Carmel Valley Village, Patrick Allen, a River School teacher, and Roxanne Peccianti from Marshall School at Fort Ord.

"We've been coming for 21 years," Decker explained. "Some of us came as children and now we're the parents bringing our children."

The tradition of entering what may be the world's largest sand castle contest is a common one on the Monterey Peninsula where many people come back annually, fine tuning the process as they go. Providing refreshments, for example, has reached the stage of silver champagne buckets and fresh roses to decorate the tables. Judges have been known to be influenced by a tasty treat.

For the first time, the American Institute of Architects Monterey Bay Chapter and the Carmel Recreation Department held a contest to find the theme. A Salinas youngster, Stephanie Stock, won the prize with her idea for "Creature Castles." Mike Gorczyca, manager of the department, said he thought the contest was "probably one of the best attended. The weather was great."

As a result Carmel's beautiful white beach was mostly covered with monsters. There were dragons of all kinds, bad monsters destroying the earth and even a Gov. Pete Wilson monster called "Govzilla" eating California's schools in one of several political statements in the sand. It was the entry of Graham and Corky Matthews of Carmel Valley who have been making political comments for 32 years in the contest. Another entry was simply a huge sand White House labeled, "Political Creature."

Perhaps the most intricate of the entries was an entire city called "Squidopolis," carefully sculpted from blueprints drawn by Jeff Kilpatrick, an architect. The Pacific Grove creators originally all hailed from Phoenix, Ariz., and wore black T-shirts labeled "Phoenicians." They said it took them six hours to produce the squid city



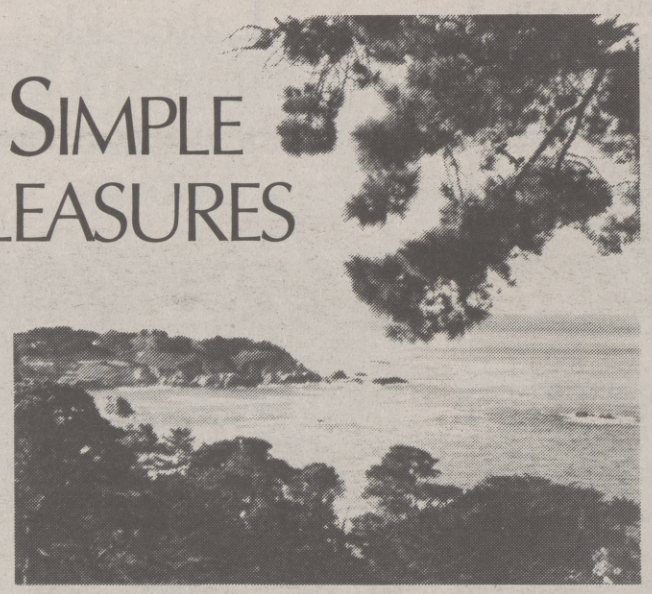
which included a park, freeway and Calamarian Village. It won the prize for "Best Theme."

The youngest group making a statement in the sand was the Environmental Club from Carmel High School who called their entry, "The Greed of Man Devouring the Earth." The 10 stu-



CRAIG THRESHIE OF THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE of Architects Monterey Bay Chapter and Councilwoman Barbara Livingston, above, hold the coveted Golden Shovel, top award in the 32nd Grand Sand Castle Contest which drew a huge crowd to Carmel Beach Sunday. Holly Decker, left, was on the winning team. Dogs had as much fun as people at the all-day event, below. *Sun photos by Isabelle Hall*





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Sand Castle Contest

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dents said they spent eight hours on the sculpture.

Not all the creatures were frightening or political. Fred Baker had a beautiful little sea otter typically lying on its back cracking open shells.

An imaginative entry from the Waldorf School was threatened with disqualification because it had smoke coming out of a dragon, labeled "Security in the 90's." Beverly Bloedon, one of the parents in the group explained how they had used a big hollow tube of kelp to run smoke from a simple bee bellows to create the smoke. Such things not from the sea are frowned upon but even so they did not get the "Sour Grapes" award. It went to a Seaside group who created a blue whale and provided an old couch for judges to relax upon.

The Most Traditional award went to a Seaside group who built the "Who Castle" with a lot of owls on the parapets.



SQUIDOPOLIS, A HUGE SAND CASTLE CITY, at right, was one of the winners at the Sand Castle contest. Govzilla, below right , was an entry from Carmel Valley. The entire Environmental Club at Carmel High School, below, lined up behind their entry.





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Following the turmoil and hand-wringing over the proposed cut of the Recreation Department and its subsequent reprieve, I decided to look at what the Recreation Department actually provides. I have children of my own ages 8 and 13 and have not been involved in any programs to date. It sounded as though small children were going to be severely deprived and that senior citizens would suffer, too. In reality, the Recreation Department of the past has provided a little service at a great price.

The youth program consists of a latch-key program for 4th and 5th graders (9-11 years) at the cost of $5 a month. Often this fee is not even collected. The 9-11 year olds can sign in and out at will from 3 to 6 p.m. During the time they are there, they can work on homework or just hang-out, play games, go to the library or candy store, etc.

This does not seem to provide a lot of "recreation". Between six and seven kids each day take advantage of this program with maybe 30 a month paying the fee. Simple math tells us that 30 times $5 is only $150. This does not begin to pay for the staff time involved. When these same kids' parents were asked to pay a summer activity fee of $20 or so to fund a summer program, they declined. Some arts and crafts classes and a few holiday programs are also offered. Similar programs are available elsewhere through Sunset Center and Carmel Unified School District.

The school district operates an afterschool program at Carmelo School that charges $6-$8 per day. You must reserve and pay by the month. One of the local churches provides a homework helping program for $15 a month. After school care is also available at the Mission school. Why not at least make this latch-key program pay for itself, or better yet rent the space to a private care-giver who could make a small amount of money on the operation. Or, if you are trying to create a "club" feeling for this age group, why not open the Carmel Youth Center on some days to them.

The Carmel Youth Center is only open to 12 to 21 year olds (and city employees for the weight room) and is underutilized. It was recently remodeled and provides basketball, weightroom, lunch room, movies, electronic games, etc. It is totally separate from the Recreation Department and would not be affected by the budget cuts. The land on which the Youth Center rests is leased to them by the City of Carmel for $1 per year.

As for Seniors, the programs consists mainly of two operations, weekly bingo games and Slot-Trek tours every few months to Reno casinos with paid staff as chaperones. It seems that the bingo games could be staffed by volunteers and the tours could be run by private charters as they have been in the past. Carmel Foundation and Sunset Center offer many programs for Seniors.

It is interesting that certain polarized groups within our village call for budget cuts and then when it happens to be in their own back yard they do not want to "sacrifice." This is the NIMBY approach to things. Cut somebody else's program, fire another department's employees, but don't touch my baby. Interesting to note is that CCGG members Pat Sippel and Merv Sutton are both Recreation Commission members. This group had consistently called for budget cuts. However, this week they asked that their department be spared.

Don't get me wrong, I believe a good recreation program could be great. Kids and seniors need opportunities to recreate. But at this time we do not have a good recreation program. Mr. D'Ambrosia and councilpersons Livingston and Brooks were prudent in questioning its worth. If anything, let this be a lesson to us and let's urge members of the Recreation Commission to get busy and make this program worth the $45,000 this year and the $85,000 budgeted for next year. Optimistically, we will get a department worth keeping and at worst, we will find out when to pull the plug.

Karen Ferlito
Carmel

Commercial Zone Is More Crowded

Through the many months of argument and editorializing on the subject of changing Carmel's three commercial zones, I have been surprised by how forgetful or misleading have been the proponent of expanding the Central Commercial zone.

Over and over again, these advocates of change have argued that before 1984, Carmel's business district "worked" perfectly well within one zone. Why do we need three, they ask. These proponents of the simpler times of the past never talk about what many of us who have also lived here a few—or many decades—remember.

We call to mind how our business district has lost its diversity and much of its character due to the dramatic increase in the number of businesses crowded into the limited space of the business district.

Consider that along Sixth Street between San Carlos and Mission there were three gasoline stations. On San Carlos between Fifth and Sixth, there was a large open space filled with flowers and plants, plus a funky shop.

Between Mission and Junipero on Seventh, there was a very large open area where cars parked. The southwest corner of Dolores and Seventh was a vacant lot. There were four gasoline stations on the four corners of San Carlos and Seventh.

On Dolores between Seventh and Eight, there was a vacant lot on the east side of the street and on the west side, a motel with cottages surrounded by open space. On the west side of Mission, there was an old house between Fifth and Sixth.

I leave it to you to go to those locations and count the number of businesses in those once relatively open and diverse commercial spaces.

The point is that as the business district became ever more crowded with more and more businesses and consequently more traffic congestion and fewer resident-oriented businesses, citizens in 1984 sought to prevent even more businesses being stuffed in-to that limited commercial area. That was why the three commercial zones were established, to prevent Carmel's decline into another coastal community ruined by ever increasing commercialization

Those who want to expand the Central Commercial zone and hark back to the good old times fail to report the "facts" that characterized the business zone in those "old times."

If we don't control the density of business and number of employees, if we leave control of the business district to those whose profits derive from that district, then we will one day pay a terrible price—as have so many other towns that have lost their true, old time character.

Harriet Shanner
Carmel

Everybody likes to read interesting, provocative letters to the editor. Write to *The Weekly Sun*, P.O. Box 931, Carmel Valley, CA 93924-0931. Include your name, address and telephone number. Please keep it as short as you can and still make your point.

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Where Did the Acrimony Really Begin?

Carla Ramsey, whose six years of heavy duty on the Planning Commission was saluted in the Oct. 1 Weekly Sun, makes a startling charge in the interview. "The turmoil in the city started (in 1988) when the Carmel Residents Association (CRA) decided it must get rid of former Mayor Clint Eastwood," Mrs. Ramsey is quoted. "He wouldn't have run again anyway, but they were going to make sure."

Does the lady's memory serve her well? Actually, the journalistic record shows that the roiling of the civic waters began two years earlier. Highlights of that record are given here only in the interest of historical accuracy.

The Herald, June 4, 1986: "Carmel Mayor Clint Eastwood ousted four planning commissioners last night and filled their positions with his own appointees as expected, but also found himself the brunt of criticism, including a charge of 'vindictiveness.'"

Pine Cone, Editor's Desk, June 12, 1986: "What I regret about this whole episode is the way in which it was handled, which was poorly... We are, after all, talking about people, human beings, dedicated to this community and concerned about its future, no matter which side of the fence they sit on."

Business to Business Network, Sept. 24, 1986: "Infighting among Carmel residents is as fierce as ever. Old-line merchants are publicity shy but loudly critical. One business owner who asked not to be identified complains, 'I hate the mayor and his tourists. Send those people home.' Another lifelong resident and artist laments the shift in buying habits from 'art galleries to souvenir shops.'"

Pine Cone, Mayor's Report, Nov. 13, 1986: "Wolf or coyote. Both are pack animals that tear their victims apart. Last week's *Pine Cone* had some critical comments... One was Councilman James 'Lone Wolf' Wright's assertion that he wanted to be a team player... This is just not true... Mr. Wright's comment that he stopped attending the General Plan committee meetings 'out of disgust' was something like a spoiled child picking up his toys and going home.'"

Pine Cone, Guest Editorial by Howard Neiman, Jr., Feb. 22, 1990: "During the early months (1986) of the Eastwood Administration, CRA was formed to provide much-needed dissent, perspective and strength to the few voices who didn't agree with the sweeping changes to (among other issues) our General Plan, which sought to strip Carmel of much-needed land use policies. Such changes would have been tragic for this community if passed. Fortunately, they were not passed by the Eastwood Administration..."

Pine Cone, Jan. 7, 1988: "Mayor Clint Eastwood flexed his formidable political muscle this week when he led the Carmel City Council down a path of revenge, targeting former councilman David Maradei... The council overturned... a Planning Commission decision which granted Maradei... a variance to construct a gable... 1 1/2 feet higher than the city code allows. Eastwood appeared to take particular pleasure in reading aloud from a letter he received from Maradei... four years ago which denied his design for an elevator shaft... 1 1/2 feet higher than the city allows... 'To me this stinks of the worst type of cynicism—obviously, I'm prejudiced,' Eastwood told the council.'" (The chairman of the Planning Commission said cases should be decided on law, not grudges.)

Pine Cone, Albert Eisner letter, Jan. 15, 1988: "The No. 1 box office attraction in the country has demonstrated a lack of class... Mayor Eastwood used his position to take a cheap shot at former councilman David Maradei."

Lots of steamy rhetoric has flowed from all sides since the 1986 inauguration. Maybe it is time to take seriously Mayor Ken White's plea for community peace.

Howard Skidmore
Carmel

Thanks to Carla Ramsey

I want to compliment the *Sun* for the article on Carla Ramsey, former chairwoman of the Carmel Planning Commission.

Your article was extremely complete in all phases of good news coverage, especially the insight into the workings and responsibilities of the commission.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank Carla Ramsey for her much needed persistent actions and a job well done under three mayors.

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River Restoration Well Underway

Work is well underway on a $129,175 erosion control project to realign and rebuild the Carmel River channel behind Valley Hills Shopping Center.

Some 1,500 feet of river channel will be rebuilt and the banks planted with willows to help hold them. Drip irrigation is also being installed to keep the willows alive until their roots take hold.

The project is just east of Quail Lodge appears to be about half completed. Water district engineers said the purpose was to take out a big curve in the river and realign the channel so that in times of heavy flows, water is not deflected from one bank to another, causing them to wash out. When the bank does wash, the river deposits the eroded material in the channel, causing another obstruction which deflects the flow and causes more water to be deflected against the banks, they said.

In addition to the so-called Valley Hills project, the water management district also is conducting a larger one immediately south of the Little League field in Carmel Valley and upstream of Boronda Bridge. It will cost about twice as much as the Valley Hills one.



DISCUSSING THE VALLEY HILLS river restoration project are Gerry Paddock of Carmel Valley Construction and Larry Hampson, associate hydrologist for the water management district. *Sun photo by Stan Hall*

Carmel Muster Set for Saturday

The Carmel Fire Department will host a muster at Sunset Center Saturday starting with a noontime parade down Ocean Avenue to help celebrate National Fire prevention Week.

Ten peninsula fire departments will compete in bucket brigades, water polo, and hose cart races. The hose cart is a piece of equipment which the department has had since its inception in 1915, according to Fire Marshal Art Black. The public is invited to the games at Sunset Center where tri-tip barbecue sandwiches will be for sale.

Rides on a fire truck for $3 will be offered, Black said. The money will go to help pay for a small, wildlands used engine the department bought from the California Department of Forestry to fight brush fires.

Other area departments have had special projects this week aimed at schools, health care facilities and single family homes. A big push has been toward getting people to test their fire detectors or to install one if they don't have one in their home. "Test your detector: It's Sound Advice," is the national fire prevention theme this year.

The Carmel department has had fire prevention sessions for children at the Park Branch library. Mid Valley Fire Department sponsored a poster contest at All Saints school with Coast Federal at Mid Valley Shopping Center furnishing $100 prize money for winners in kindergarten through fifth grade.

Mid Valley is selling fire detectors at cost for $7.98 and will install them for residents of the mid valley district if they are unable to do so themselves, said Fire Marshal Jim Smith.

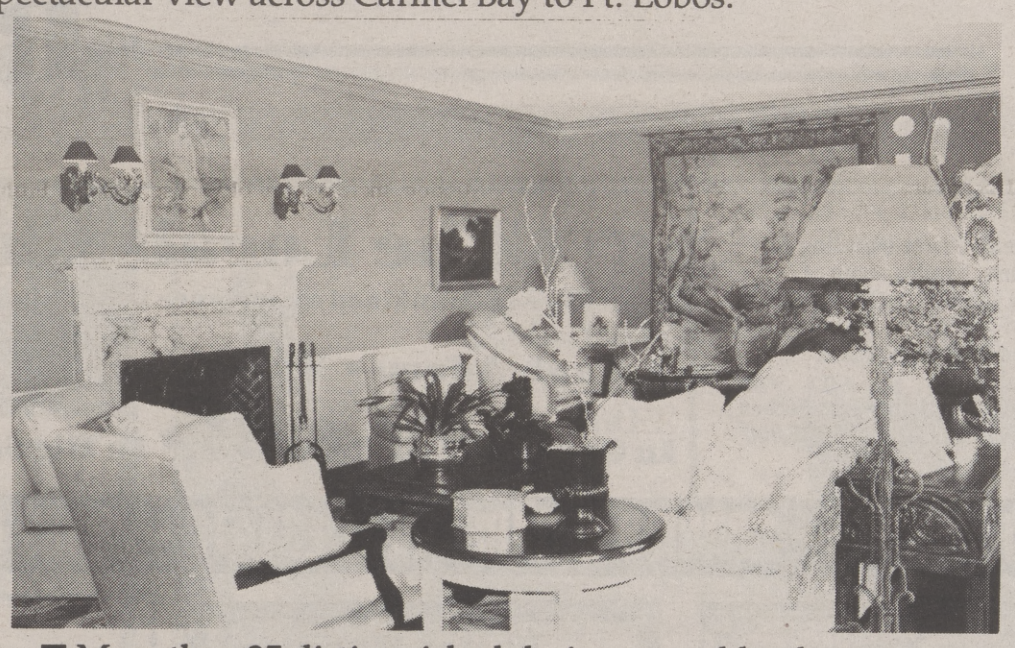
The Carmel Valley Fire Department brought Tularcitos children to the station for tours and reminded children to check their home fire detectors at home to make sure they are working. The Carmel Highlands Department has scheduled its fire prevention sessions with Bay School students for mid October.

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Advisory Committee Denies Plans for Heron Nesting Site

The Carmel Area Advisory Committee voted 4-0 Monday to recommend that plans for a single family house be denied on a Carmel Point lot where black night herons have been nesting in eucalyptus trees for about 10 years.

The recommendation was forwarded to the Monterey County Planning Commission. Judge D. Brooke Bartlett of Kansas City, trustee for the lot at the corner of Ocean View and Stewart, earlier offered to sell the land if the county wants to preserve the eucalyptus grove for the birds. Forty-seven eucalyptus trees would be cut down for construction of the wood and stone house on the 6,000-square foot lot.

"Obviously the whole issue is about birds," architect Ray Parks told the committee meeting at River School. There was little comment about the design of the proposed house, and he asked that this be noted in the report. One member, Erling Lagerholm, abstained. He said, "The people were here before the birds."

A biological report from Vernal L. Yadon of Pacific Grove said if the trees were cut down, the birds might go to the eucalyptus groves at the Bay School, Lake El Estrero or the Naval Post Graduate School, or simply cease to nest on the peninsula.

Yadon said the birds are known to nest in numerous species of trees and are found throughout the United States, Southern Canada and Baja, Mexico. The California Fish and Game Department rates them as "a species of special concern," but not endangered, he said.

Catherine Woodward, a leading activist on the Point who has been ill, protested the proposed house in a letter read to the committee by her husband, Clark. In addition to the lot being the only night heron rookery in the county, she said, "The grove is a visual asset and reflects the only feeling of continuity with the Tor house, now surrounded by large homes on either side."

Carmel Point was described by forester Roy A. Perkins as late as 1913 as having been "a windswept, treeless promontory." It was the location of the 9-hole Carmel Golf club and was grazed by a dairy herd. Robinson Jeffers, who built Tor House, owned the land and planted eucalyptus trees for windbreaks and screening but then most of them were cut down when the family started selling off lots in about 1962, Perkins said. Apparently about six trees were left on the Bartlett property but even that was a matter for argument during the hearing.

If the project is approved, Woodward questioned, "Are we opening the door to wholesale tree removal on the Point." She cited sections of the local land use plans which state that environmentally sensitive habitat areas should be protected.

Perkins' report said the land use plans call for eradication of such "pest species" as large eucalyptus. "In view of this requirement, all of the eucalyptus are proposed for removal. They are not landmark trees."



BLACK HERON NEST IN EUCALUYPTUS trees on a Carmel Point lot. The Carmel Advisory Committee voted to recommend against approval of a house proposed for the site because the trees would have to be cut down.

Sun file photo.

"There's an obvious conflict," Parks said. "The Carmel Area Land Use Plan and the Coastal Act say eradicate eucalyptus. They're non-native. The philosophy is that we're trying to return to a native environment. It's somewhat a freak of nature that the birds are there."

Committee member Colgate Dorr said he had talked to Alan Baldridge at the Hopkins Marine Center. Baldridge told him the lot is the only place where the night heron nest, Dorr said. They prefer the tall trees because predators can't climb up to the nests.

Parks countered that the only known sightings are from the local Audobon Society who go out on bird watching trips on weekends. He said the birds had never been studied because they're not endangered.

Committee Chairman Ray Cook said he thought the birds would simply move elsewhere, but he opposed the application because he said it did not include planting enough replacement trees.

Lagerholm asked if the eucalyptus could be left around the perimeter of the lot and the house built in the middle.

But George Rodman, who lives across the road from the Bartlett lot, said no one would want to live in such a house with the herons which he said "create a very messy environment."

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CV Man Charged With Illegally Living In RV on River

Timothy Robert Wendler of Carmel Valley was found guilty of occupying a recreational vehicle as a permanent residence on Wawona Drive in Camp Stephanie just beyond the Carmel Valley Village.

Wendler pled not guilty on Sept. 9 but failed to appear at his trial Sept. 29. Terrance Duncan, a municipal court commissioner, tried him in absentia, found him guilty, issued a bench warrant for his arrest and set bail at $500.

M. P. Parker, an investigator for the County Planning Department, said complaints had been filed on the recreational vehicle which has a deck built around it, cable television and a hot tub near it. It was also advertised for rent for $1,200 for the week of the U.S. Open, Parker said.

Wendler owns three lots in the area, Parker said, with a house on one of them. It would not be illegal to park a recreational vehicle on the lot, but it does not meet health or building codes for full-time inhabitation, Parker said.

Policeman Will Give Women Safety Hints

Safety hints, particulary for women who live alone, will be the Carmel Women's Club program Oct. 19 at 2 p.m. at San Carlos and 9th. Capt. Don Fusilier of the Carmel Police Department will give safety tips for shopping, driving and while at home. The public is invited attend. Call 659-5027 to register.

CRA Helpers Will Clean Carmel Beach

Volunteers from the Carmel Residents Association (CRA) have agreed to make a special clean up of Carmel Beach once a month.

About 40 volunteers signed up during the group's regular monthly meeting in response to a request from Mayor Ken White, a CRA member, for residents to help out with city tasks during the economic downturn.

City Forester Gary Kelly said the volunteers will collect paper, cans, bottles and other debris from the beach and the steep slope below the path along Scenic Avenue. They also plan to sift unburned wood and charcoal from beach fires in the sand.

Between the group cleanups, Kelly said CRA members will remove litter. Charles Fox is the organizer of the activity. Persons interested in helping can call 626-1588.

Realtors Change Name

The Carmel Board of Realtors voted to change its name to Carmel Association of Realtors, exeuctive officer Jan Folsom announced.

"When we called ourselves a 'board,' some members of the public got the impression we were a regulatory agency," she said in a statement. "In fact, we are not. We are a trade association."

Many real estate boards throughout the country have taken similar action, Folsom said. The Carmel association is affiliated with the California Association of Realtors and the National Association of Realtors.

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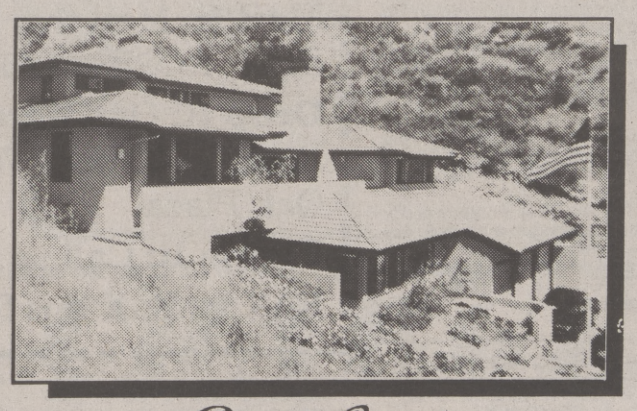
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Freeway Permit Back on Track

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the $36 million cost, and Caltrans has earmarked money for the project.

In a return letter, Director Gerald Gromko of the Department of Works told Cardosa the LOS E was only a short-term objective, but that a LOS C remained the long-term goal. Gromko explained in his letter that the LOS on the stretch of road now is F, and under the new state CMP requirement, the county had to come up with a short-term plan "to make conditions bearable... until the long-range can be constructed or devised."

In his letter, Gromko reiterated the county's longstanding support for the freeway, which has been debated for 40 years.

"Essentially, I think it was a misunderstanding," Albright told the *Sun* from Caltrans' district offices in San Luis Obispo. He said Cardosa accepted the explanation of Caltrans and FHWA officials as to why the lower LOS had been shown on the CMP.

"When we signed the document and told him why, he said, 'that's good enough for me.'"

Attending the meeting in Cardosa's San Francisco office were Albright, District Director Bill Ojeda, Dave Murray and Gary Ruggerone from Caltrans. Cardosa and two senior and two junior staff members represented the corps. The FHWA was represented by district director John Schultz and J. D. Stotz.

Albright expressed satisfaction with the outcome of the meeting. He said he was pleased that the issue had been solved at the district level, but made it clear that Caltrans and FHWA officials had been willing to take their case to higher officials had it been necessary.

"I"m pleased we didn't have to go to a higher level, but were able to resolve it here," Albright said.

Soldier Rescued After 100-Foot Fall Down Cliff

David Hadley, a 19-year-old Fort Ord soldier from Phoenix, was saved in a three-hour rescue effort Tuesday night after a 100-foot fall into the ocean.

A spokesman at Silas B. Hayes Hospital said Wednesday Hadley had a fractured ankle and was in stable condition.

He apparently fell from the scenic overlook area across from the Highlands Inn entrance about 6:30 p.m., according to Captain Colin Macdonald of the Carmel Highlands Fire Department.

Macdonald and Paul Ellis, a Carmel Highlands volunteer, rappelled down the cliff. The Point Lobos lifeguard responded by water with his inflatable boat. The Sheriff's Rescue Team and its volunteer members also helped.

Hadley had managed to crawl out of the water and was stable. Rescuers decided to lift him up the cliff in a Stokes Basket rather than move him across choppy water in a boat in case he had neck or back injuries which could have been exacerbated by bouncing.

Macdonald said Hadley had multiple scrapes and abrasions and a possible broken ankle and left clavicle. He said ironically the Highlands fire department had used the cliff where Hadley fell for cliff rescue training many times. "It's a very enticing area but has a lot of loose ground," he said.

Supervisor Seeks Applicants For Waste Management Plans

Fifth District Supervisor Karin Strasser Kauffman is seeking applicants to serve on the Monterey County Integrated Waste Management Task Force. The task force will prepare the waste management plan required by state law and will provide a Monterey County plan for the next 15 years.

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Padres Drop MTAL Opener; Coach Takes Blame for Failed Risky Call

Carmel High's Padres dropped their first Mission Trail Athletic League football game of the year, and coach Craig Johnston says you can mark up the loss in his column.

The coach blames himself for a call he made late in the game against Gonzales. With four minutes remaining, he went for it from Carmel's 46 on fourth-and-10 rather than punting. The score was tied 14-14 at the time, and when Carmel's pass play fell incomplete, the Spartans took over the ball and put together the winning drive. The final was Carmel 14, Gonzales 21.

"We should have punted then and tried to kick a field goal," Johnston said. "I should have had a little better grasp on where the game was." But Johnston took full responsibility for the call. "The players' job is to do what the coach tells them and do it as hard as they can."

Carmel will take on North Salinas Saturday at 2 p.m. at home in a non-league game. "We scheduled North Salinas before Palma," explained Johnston. "We wanted to play a big strong team before Palma. Palma is very strong."

The Padres will travel to Palma Oct. 16 for a 7 p.m. game for their second league game. Johnston praised the performance of Carmel's defense against Gonzales. "They played very well. We stopped a very good running game."

But he said the Padres gave up two long touchdown passes. "I wasn't pleased with the offense. We had some missed blocks and assignments and had some dropped passes."

Spartan quarterback John Guzman threw a 25-yard pass to a wide open David Avila who juggled the ball before controlling it in the end zone for the winning touchdown.

Carmel came close to a comeback in the final minutes but the drive down the field was stopped when Guzman intercepted a John Geisler pass at the Spartan 40-yard line with less than a minute left in the game. The loss left Carmel at 2-2 for the season.

Gonzales won the junior varsity game 18-8. Brent Carlson scored Carmel's touchdown on a 10-yard pass from Ryan Sanchez. Brett Eyerman added a two-point conversion.

Rosie's Bridge Money Held Up

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money remained in the fund.

In the end, that was the position the board took, although Strasser Kauffman and Karas got cross-wise when he started his motion by saying the money should not be transferred.

"Make it in a positive way, not a negative one," Strasser Kauffman admonished him.

"Okay, you make the motion if you want to," Karas said.

Strasser Kauffman then did so, repeating the position outlined by Shipnuck—with one exception.

"Provided funds are available," Karas added sharply when Strasser Kauffman did not make that a part of her motion.

Gromko said under state Fish & Game regulations, the temporary fill bypass in the Carmel River will have to be in place no earlier than May 1 and no later than Oct. 31, a period which generally coincides with the area's arid summer weather. Shipnuck also argued that by waiting until late winter to see how much progress Public Works had made, the board also would know what kind of rain year it had been, "lower than normal, later than normal." She suggested that Fish & Game might be willing to extend the window during which construction would be allowed.

Supervisor Tom Perkins, a retired California Department of Forestry (CDF) official, responded to Gromko's claims that a highway-size 18-wheeler carrying a big bulldozer to a fire couldn't safely cross Rosie's.

Gromko said the bridge, build in 1946, had been posted with s 26 ton limit since 1982. A big semi carrying a bulldozer could weigh 40 tons, he said.

Perkins agreed "Hitchcock Canyon is a very critical area." But he said the CDF could get its equipment over Rosie's by "off-loading and onloading" the bulldozer. "It might mean a delay of 30 minutes. It's done all over the state all the time."

Perkins said firefighters could also reach Hitchcock Canyon by going in Robinson Canyon Road and then going overland for a couple of miles, "so it is not so critical." He added that aircraft also provide valuable firefighting support which doesn't depend on having to cross bridges.

Perkins said he couldn't support moving money from the contingency fund either since the county still did not know exactly how funds would be handled for special districts, including fire districts.

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